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BRITISH PEOPLE ARE SHOCKED BY NEWS OF GALLIPOLI MOVEMENT

Withdrawal of Forces Marks End of One of European War's Greatest Chapters.

RELIEF AND REGRET

Dardanelles Policy May be Pursued in Some Other Quarter of Near East.

Fair Degree of Quiet Prevails on Other Fronts.

London, Dec. 20. — The announcement of the British withdrawal from Gallipoli overshadowed all other war news tonight. For the British public the abrupt War Office statement marks the end of one of the great chapters of the war's history. The shock of the news was hardly broken by the fact that rumors had been current in the street for some days, and withdrawal of the forces had been a matter of widespread pro and con discussion ever since Lord Ribblesdale's famous speech in parliament in which he declared withdrawal had been recommended by a high military authority.

Relief Mixed With Regret.

The feeling of the man in the street was generally one of relief mixed with regret. A popular half penny paper sums up the British public's attitude as follows:

"Thus ends the enterprise of which the highest hopes were build and which if it had succeeded would probably have turned the tide of the war. Our troops from the first to the last were within a few miles of victory."

The policy underlying the Dardanelles expedition may yet be carried to a successful issue in some other quarter of the Near East, but the prospect of forcing a way to Constantinople through the famous straits is apparently relinquished.

British troops continue to occupy the tip of the peninsula at Seddul Bahr, commanding the entrance to the straits where many British have declared a new Gibraltar will one day arise. The position here is protected by a double line of ships and it is assumed that this will be held.

Other Fronts Fairly Quiet.

A fair degree of quiet has continued on the war fronts during the past 24 hours and none of the oft-repeated threats of a big Offensive in France, in North Russia, Galicia and the Balkans has yet actually materialized.

Persistent report of a Greco-Bulgarian encounter, resulting from a Bulgarian surprise attack have been cleared up by the Greek statement that the encounter took place in Albanian territory. No one was killed and few were woundtd. Order was restored promptly and an amicable inquiry is proceeding.

It is announced from Paris that no enemy detachment has yet crossed the Greek frontier. Meanwhile work on the defensive lines around Saloniki is being actively pushed and the Greek villages in the neighborhood of the lines are being evacuated by the population.

Greek military circles declare they are convinced that the forces opposing the Allies will not attempt to cross the frontier, the Bulgarians because they realize the danger of provoking Greece and the Germans because they are grateful for Greek neutrality and because they realize the tremendous cost which the enterprise would entail.

HAVE SUNK 734 SHIPS

Germany Has Destroyed 5.9 Per Cent. of Total British Tonnage.

Berlin, Dec. 20, (by Wireless to Sayville).—"It is stated on competent German authority," says the Overseas News Agency, "that since the beginning of the war to the end of November last, 734 enemy ships with a tonnage of 1,447,628 tons were destroyed. Of these 568, with 1,079,492 tons were destroyed by submarine and 93, with 94,709 tons by mines.

"Of the ships destroyed 624, with 1,231,944 tons, were British, which means a loss of 5.9 per cent. of the total British tonnage."

ENDEAVOR TO DISSECT THE TESTIMONY OF GOVERNMENT

New Haven Officials' Counsel Consume Entire Day With Argument.

New York, Dec. 20.—The array of lawyers defending the eleven former directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad against the charge of conspiring to monopolize commerce brought legal argument to bear upon Judge Hunt at the trial today in an effort to prove that the government had failed to establish its case.

Six of the atorneys, Richard V. Lindabury, John G. Milburn, Michael Kennealy, Thomas Thacher, Royal Victor and Goldwaite H. Dorr, consumed the entire day in oratorical dissection of the government's testimony. The argument was still unfinished when court adjourned and will continue tomorrow probably throughout the entire day. The jury was dismissed until its conclusion.

OPERATIONS WILL NOT COME TO END

British Will Continue Campaign in Gallipoli

TURKS WERE SURPRISED

Withdrawal of Forces from Anzac and Suvla Zones Skilfully Executed. Fight of Months Has Cost Thousands of Lives.

London, Dec. 20.—The British troops at the Suvla and Anzac districts of Gallipoli peninsula have been withdrawn. The following official statement was issued here today: "All the troops at Suvla and Anzac, together with their guns and stores, have been successfully transferred with insignificant casualties to another sphere of operations."

Operations in other sectors of the front on the Gallipoli peninsula than those from which troops were announced today to have been withdrawn are to be continued, it is intimated in an official statement issued tonight. The withdrawal was effected without knowledge of the movement on the part of the Turks, it is declared. Further details of the evacuation of the Anzac and Suvla zones have been received, says the official statement.

"Without the Turks being aware of the movement a great army has been withdrawn from one of the areas occupied on the Gallipoli peninsula, although in the closest of contact with the enemy. By this contraction of the front operations at other points of the line will be more effectively carried out.

Sir Charles Monro gives the credit for this skilfully conducted transfer of forces to the generals commanding and the Royal Navy."

Thousands of Lives Sacrificed.

The withdrawal of the British troops from Suvla bay and the Anzac zone ends more successfully than most military men thought possible, the most unfortunate chapter of the British arms in this war. Thousands of lives were sacrificed in gaining these positions, and other thousands in holding them.

The question has been constantly discussed why the generals commanding the Dardanelles expedition did not try to make a landing nearer the center of the peninsula in the beginning and cut off the Turkish troops on the lower end. When the attempt was finally made to secure a foothold higher up the peninsula, the Turks were fully prepared to meet it.

Moreover, the British arrangements lacked several essential features, particularly a supply of drinking water. The story has been revealed by soldiers and correspondents returning from the Mediterranean only gradually and by detail. One eye witness declared that after the first battalion landed the men were shot down so thickly that the watchers aboard the ships were asking "why don't our men advance?" and thought the troops were lying down awaiting orders.

The soldiers found barbed wire entanglements stretching clear out under the water when they jumped from their small boats. To add to their sufferings the supply of drinking water was very short.

Robert Blatchford, the author, in a newspaper article yesterday asserted:

Many Die from Thirst.

"Many of these men died of thirst. There was no ice for the wounded. There was no place ashore, except in dugouts under the hillsides where the men were ever safe from the enemy's shell fire, night or day. Numbers were sent to Malta and England suffering from dysentery or nervous collapse."

John Redmond, the Irish Nationalist leader, said in a speech in the House of Commons that the sufferings of the Irish troops on Gallipoli were the worst known in the present war.

CORONER'S INQUEST HELD OVER BODY OF MARTIN BURNETT

Claud McAffee Will Be Held for Hearing on Charge of Murder.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 20.—At the coroner's inquest held today at North Fork over the body of Martin Burnett, who was shot and killed yesterday by Claude McAffee in a fight between McAffee and Martin and William Burnett, brothers, the jury returned a verdict to the effect that "Martin Burnett came to his death at the hands of Claude McAffee." McAffee, who was severely cut about the head, back and side by knives in the hands of the Burnetts is still at a local hospital. Under the jury's finding today the coroner is required to issue commitment papers for McAffee, who will be held for a preliminary hearing in a magistrate's court.

One of the witnesses today testified that McAffee and Martin Burnett quarreled in church yesterday afternoon and that after the services McAffee waited outside for the Burnett brothers, the fight ensuing when they met.

RURAL CREDITS BILL TO GO TO CONGRESS ABOUT FINISHED.

Provides for Co-Operative Local Associations and Land Banks.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A rural credits bill to be introduced in both houses of Congress after the holidays was virtually completed today by the special joint committee created by the last Congress for report at this session. Only a few details remain to be decided.

AMERICAN STEAMER BORINQUEN HALTED

German Purser Removed by French Cruiser Des Cartes.

OFF SAN JUAN HARBOR

Further Protest May be Made to France With the Intimation That Immediate Cessation of Such Acts is Expected.

New York, Dec. 20.—Wilhelm Garbe, of Brooklyn, purser of the American steamer Borinquen, was removed from the vessel off the harbor of San Juan, Porto Rico, by officers of the French cruiser Des Cartes, according to the Borinquen skipper. The ship arrived here today.

According to Captain Dow, of the Borinquen, the incident occurred about 1 A. M. on December 15, while his ship was five miles outside San Juan harbor. After officers from the Des Cartes had come aboard they sent a boat alongside and directed Purser Garbe to get in. To stop the Borinquen the Des Cartes threw her searchlight on her, then fired a blank shot across her bows.

Garbes, it was said, was a German, but had taken out his first citizenship papers some time ago. He had been employed by the Bull-Insular Line, owners of the Borinquen, about three years.

DIPLOMATS ARE SURPRISED.

Continued Conduct of French Cruiser May Cause Serious Tension.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The United States still is awaiting a reply from the French government to the vigorous protest recently lodged against the action of the commander of the cruiser Des Cartes in stopping three steamers of the New York-Porto Rican Line and taking off Germans and Austrians.

As soon as the State Department is officially advised of the latest instance of what it holds to be flagrant violation of the protection of the American flag, involved in the removal of Wilhelm Garbe from the steamer Borinquen by the same French commander, supplementary representations probably will be made to France with the intimation that an immediate cessation of such acts is expected.

Regardless of the fact that Garbe had taken out his preliminary papers of naturalization, which under United States law entitles him to the same protection as an American citizen, France has been informed that the United States does not concede the right of a belligerent to remove from an American ship on the high seas any passenger or sailor, no matter what may be his nativity or citizenship.

Among diplomats here, including those of the Allied governments, surprise frankly is expressed at the continuation of these incidents which are regarded as likely to cause serious tension ultimately upon relations between the Allied governments and the United States without producing any results of substantial military value.

COPENHAGEN FORBIDS FORD PARTY'S HOLDING MEETINGS.

Newspapers Express Little Hope of Success of Expedition.

Christiania, Dec. 20.—Henry Ford has received information that he would be prohibited from holding meetings in Copenhagen, it was learned today. He will go there, however, to select the delegates to accompany his peace party to The Hague. Mr. Ford expects to go to Copenhagen in a week. The newspapers, in commenting editorially on the Ford peace mission, express little hope for the success of it.

Traffic in Babies Is Found in Baltimore

ONE OF THE CONDITIONS UNCOVERED BY MARYLAND STATE-WIDE VICE COMMISSION, MAKES ITS REPORT.

Baltimore, Dec. 20.—The state-wide vice commission named by Governor Goldsborough in January, 1913, today made public the results of its inquiry. Probably the most sensational of the features dealt with in the report is the alleged traffic in babies. It is asserted that investigators found there are institutions in Baltimore to which the mother of an illegitimate child may consign her offspring upon the payment of an agreed sum and forever rid herself of legal responsibility for it.

Of the hundreds of children so taken in charge by the institutions the commission avers that 80 to 90 per cent die and are buried in heaps in small plots of ground, one such plot approximately 55 feet square having been the tomb of 5,000 babies since 1886.

The high death rate is attributed to the separation of the infant from its mother at birth. No evidence was adduced that the babies were neglected at the institutions.

Since the commission began its work the police have closed the resorts in the segregated districts.

Much attention is given to social conditions in factories, stores and office buildings and many instances are given of immorality forced upon girls by their employers or their superiors at their places of employment, the penalty of refusal being the loss of position.

KOENIG'S PLOT MAY BE MERE INCIDENT

Officials Believe Conspiracy Was Nation-Wide.

AN AGENT OF GERMANY

Metzler, in Statement, Says Koenig Reported Results of Activities to Von Papen—Jury Making Investigation.

New York, Dec. 20.—Information obtained by the Federal authorities today from witnesses appearing before the grand jury which is investigating the alleged plot of Paul Koenig, head of the detective bureau of the Hamburg-American Line, to blow up the Welland Canal, have widely extended the scope of the inquiry. After the grand jury had adjourned for the day Federal officials stated that the Welland Canal plot might prove to be merely an incident in a conspiracy which extended throughout the country.

Indictments against Koenig and Richard Emil Leyendecker, the New York art goods dealer who was arrested with him, are expected to be returned on Wednesday and Thursday. United States Attorney Marshall admitted, however, that these indictments probably would be merely the forerunner of others to be sought from subsequent grand juries dealing with other activities of Koenig.

While the Koenig case was occupying the attention of one of the Federal grand jury, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was appearing before another which is concluding its inquiry into the case of Franz Von Rintelen, charged with instigating strikes in munition factories.

After leaving the grand jury room Mr. Gompers declared that he knew of no instance in which any leader of organized labor had been corrupted by German agents. He intimated, however, that he had information in regard to attempts being made to bribe union heads. Mr. Gompers will resume his testimony tomorrow when Frank Morrison, secretary of the Federation of Labor, also will appear before the jury.

Frederick Metzler, held with other in connection with alleged plots in this country to embarrass the Allies by hindering the manufacture of or destroying munitions, made a full statement to the Federal authorities today concerning the activities of Koenig. Koenig, he said, had twenty-five agents in New York alone, and reported the results of his investigation to Captain von Papen, the German Military attache.

Metzler charged flatly that it was Koenig who sent George Fuchs to destroy the Welland Canal, but Fuchs, he said, reported after visiting the canal that its destruction could be accomplished at that time.

TESTIFY CADET SWEET HAD WOUNDS ON BODY

He Claimed They Were Caused From Being Hazed.

V. M. I. Officials and Cadets, However, Contend Chicago Boy Was Not Mistreated—Investigation is Being Made.

Lexington, Va., Dec. 20.—Conflicting testimony as to the alleged hazing of Cadet Thurber Sweet, of Chicago, Ill., who died here ten days ago, was given today at the investigation of the cadet's death by the board of visitors of the Virginia Military Institute. The inquiry was adjourned until tomorrow, when Dr. J. M. Scott, Jr., who examined Sweet on the day the cadet ran away from the institute and who is said to have stated that he found wounds on Sweet's back will testify.

Four students of Washington and Lee University, who said they saw Sweet the day he quit V. M. I., testified that Sweet showed them wounds on his back and legs and told them that they were caused by blows from broomsticks and bayonets wielded by upper classmen. Institute officials and cadets asserted that Sweet was not hazed, that he was a failure as a student and that he made several attempts to leave the institute and return home.

Surgeon McClung, of V. M. I., testified that Sweet had told him that he had been beaten. A cadet said Sweet had complained to him that "it was rough" at V. M. I. and that a wound in his back was caused by a bayonet. Other witnesses testified that Sweet had attributed this wound to a bayonet, a rusty nail and a knife.

Several physicians who treated Sweet during the several weeks that he was in the institute hospital, gave it as their opinion that the cadet died from inflammation of the spinal cord and that he had received no injury that could have caused such inflammation. They all asserted they found no marks of violence on the boy's body.

When the board convened this morning, General Nichols, superintendent of the academy, made a statement, reviewing the case. He deplored the "sensational notoriety" given the matter and urged that the inquiry be thorough.

Reporter Asked to Leave.

Tension has arisen here between the student bodies of the Virginia Military Institute and Washington and

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DEMANDS IN FIRST NOTE REITERATED

America's Reply to Austria is Firm in Tone.

BUT IS NOT SO SEVERE

Based Squarely on Austrian Admiralty's Version of Ancona Sinking, Officials Say—Twelve Americans on the Ship.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Secretary Lansing announced today that the second American note to Austria on the sinking of the steamship Ancona had gone forward yesterday and should reach Vienna tomorrow night. While Mr. Lansing gave no intimation of its contents, the note is understood to be a virtual reiteration of the original American demands with the implication that it is the United States' last word on the subject. The text of the note will be issued for publication in newspapers Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Lansing said.

The note is about 600 words long and although characterized by those acquainted with its wording as firm in tone, is said to be somewhat less sharp than the first note in the tenor of its demands. It is based squarely, according to the officials, on the Austrian admiralty's own version of the Ancona sinking and while reference is made to American victims and survivors the reference is said to be more incidental than direct.

The names of 12 Americans said to have been on the Ancona when she was torpedoed were received today by the State Department from Ambassador Page at Rome. The Cablegram reads as follows:

"Twelve Americans known to have aboard Ancona. They were: Mrs. Cecile L. Grell, first cabin; Joseph Terrisi and daughter, Carmela, second cabin, bearing American passport 2880 and 2887. Third cabin, Alexander Potalivo, wife, Maria Nicola Potalivo; two sons, Kurio, aged 19; Irlando, aged 17; and two daughters, Maria Irmiba, 14 years, and Nuria, 11 years; previous spelling Pattativo was erroneous. Pasquola Laurino, formerly mentional as Saurino, naturalized. Mrs. Francis Nascola Lamura, reported as wife of naturalized American citizen and child name not given.

"Of foregoing only three are known to survive, namely: Mrs. Grell, who left Rome to sail today from Bordeaux by steamer Rochambeau; Joseph Torrisi, in hospital at Ferryville, Tunisia, and Irelando Potalivo."

Full Text of Austria's Note.

The full text of Austria's reply to the American note on the sinking of the Ancona, as made public by the State Department, follows:

"American Embassy, Vienna, December 15, 1915.

"Secretary of State, Washington:

"Following note received from Minister for Foreign Affairs at noon today:

"In reply to the much esteemed note Number 5167 which His Excellency, Mr. Frederick Courtland Penfield, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America, directed to him in the name of the American government under date of the ninth instant, in the matter of the sinking of the Italian steamer, Ancona, the undersigned, preliminary to a thorough, meritorious treatment of the demand, has the honor to observe that the sharpness with which the Government of the United States considers it necessary to blame the commanding officer of the submarine concerned in the affair and the firmness in which the demands addressed to the Imperial and Royal government appear to be expressed, might well have warranted the expectation that the Government of the United States should precisely specify the actual circumstances of the affair upon which it bases its case.

"As it is not difficult to perceive, the presentation of the facts in the case in the aforesaid note leaves room for

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Snow Falls Over Southern Georgia

SAVANNAH VISITED BY FIRST FALL IN NUMBER OF YEARS—CHARLESTON HAS FIRST IN TWO YEARS.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 20.—Snow began falling here tonight for the first time in a number of years, and reports from south Georgia indicated snow was fairly general over that section. At Thomasville, Ga., it began snowing early in the afternoon. The temperature here at 8 o'clock tonight registered 34 degrees and promised to drop lower. A steady cold rain fell here all day.

FIRST IN TWO YEARS.

Snow Continued to Fall Late Last Night at Charleston, S. C.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 20.—The first local snow fall in two years began late today and continued tonight.

STORM WARNINGS UP.

High Winds Expected Along North Carolina and Virginia Coasts.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The Weather Bureau tonight ordered northeast storm warnings hoisted along the Atlantic coast from Cape Henry, Va., to Cape Hatteras, N. C. A disturbance off the East Florida coast is expected to move northeastward and cause high winds along the coasts of Virginia and North Carolina.

VILLA WITH SMALL FORCE WILL FIGHT ERSTWHILE AIDS

According to Reports, He is Not Backing His Generals in Terms for Peace.

HOWEVER, THEY AGREE

Sign Terms Under Which the Larger Part of Mexican Rebel Army Joins Carranza.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 20.—Although a number of his generals have entered into peace negotiations with the de facto government of Mexico, General Francisco Villa was reported tonight to have gathered 400 armed men somewhere in the state of Chihuahua to oppose his former organization.

The Carranza de facto government is in official control of the former Villa state of Chihuahua by virtue of an agreement reached between Generals Roberto Limon, Manuel Banda, Lieut. Colonel Flaviano Paliza and Colonel Eduardo Andalon, and Andreas Garcia, of the Carranza consulate here, by which about 4,000 troops and the organization of the Villa government, including the cities of Juarez and Chihuahua and all border points, accept Carranza domination. The agreement grants amnesty to all but General Villa and his brother Hipolito.

The generals entered into conference yesterday as delegates from General Villa to confr with Mr. Garcia upon plans to turn over the entire territory and all troops and arms, and for himself to leave the capital without any following. They reported the result of their conference last night to General Villa at Chihuahua City.

Late today they had received no reply from General Villa, and instead learned that after receiving their advices, General Villa gathered 400 men and left Chihuahua City and that his whereabouts were unknown.

Upon opening the conference with the Carranza consul today, the Villa generals announced they would proceed on the unrescinded authorization as given by General Villa. They said they believed Villa feared that the delegates would not be able to secure him immunity from prosecution should he cross the international line.

The surrender of the Villa organization includes most of his army, about 75 per cent. of the rolling stock of the railroads of Mexico and the state of Chihuahua, the richest mining and livestock district in Mexico.

According to officials here the foreign interests in Villa-controlled territory have suffered a loss estimated at $50,000,000 due to confiscation and alleged thefts of ore, cattle and other property and the depreciation of Villa currency. These officials charge that churches were stripped of their trassures, banks looted of coin and specie and confiscated goods given away to satisfy people ruined by lack of employment and repreciation of Villa currency.

RELIEF AT WASHINGTON

Administration Officials Gratified at Mexican Developments.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Gratification and relief were frankly displayed by administration officials today when news came from El Paso that eleven of General Villa's generals and leaders had signed an agreement to turn the rebel army of the north over to the defacto government of Mexico. Confidence is felt here in the reported promise of Villa to eliminate himself and if he appear on the American side of the International boundary line he will find a free road.

Villa's withdrawal and the incorporation of his army into that of the de facto government are regarded here as indicative of early peace in Mexico, and at least will pave the way for reducing materially the strong patrol the United States has been obliged to maintain along the border. His elimination, it is believed, will leave Carranza free to move his army into the south and concentrate his forces against the rebellious bands still operating in the itnerior and near the capital.

With the fighting transferred to the interior the Washington administration will watch developments with close and friendly interest, but no so anxiously as while battles were being fought along the boundary line. It is realized, however, that while the withdrawals of the rebellious northern army will improve the situation and render Carranza's task of pacification easier, his army has befoe it many months of serious fighting before he can assure foreign diplomats that his rulership is undisputed.

Advices to the State Department do not indicate how many men are operating in other parts of the republic against the de facto government, but estimates based on official and unofficial informations place the number at many thousand, and greater than the force Villa is expected to surrender in the North.

Under Zapata the Cedillo brothers and several former army officers of past regimes organizations are in the field in the states of San Luis Potosi, Vera Cruz, Morelos, Tepic, Jalisco, Michioacan, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Sonora and Sinaloa. Not all these are strong organizations and by the Carranza government they are styled bandits for the greater part, although it is admitted that those operating south and east of Mexico City are formidable.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The Supreme court today recessed until January 3.

UPON ATTITUDE OF LABOR THE ALLIES' SUCCESS DEPENDS

Skilled and Unskilled Men to Work in Munitions Factories is the Present Need.

KEEP ORDERS AT HOME

Lloyd-George Gives Account of Stewardship as Minister of Munitions.

London, Dec. 20.—David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions, gave an account of his stewardship in the House of Commons tonight. Beginning with the oft-repeated story of the insufficiency of munitions in the early days of the war and the history of the establishment of his department to remedy this situation, the minister gradually warmed to his subject and reached the climax with the declaration that the success of the Allies in the war depends on the attitude of organized labor—whether it will allow the government to recruit a sufficient number of skilled men for the factories which the munitions department has brought into being.

"We want 80,000 skilled and from 200,000 to 300,000 unskilled men for these factories, he said. We must reduce the proportion of our orders which go abroad and develop our home resources. Upon the supply of labor depends, I think, upon our success in this war. Upon this depends whether we can reduce the cost of the war by scores of millions of pounds. Upon this depends whether we can supply our troops with the right sort of guns and enable them to make next year's campaign a success.

"Here only organized labor can help us. We have done our best to get skilled labor by the system of munitions volunteers. It is no use my going into the question of why we got only five or six thousand men, although that story may have to be told later.

"The whole question depends on organized labor. Unless it allows us to put unskilled workers on the work which hitherto has been the monopoly of skilled labor, we cannot perform this task. There can be only one appeal, namely to patriotism. Victory depends on this. Hundreds of thousands of precious lives depend on labor's answer.

"It is a question whether we are going to bring the war to an end in a year, or linger along in the bloodstained path. Labor has the answer."

James Henry Thomas, labor member for Derby and assistant general secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, speaking for the labor party after Mr. Lloyd-George had concluded, said that organized labor would be found willing to follow wherever the minister of munitions led, if their rights were properly guaranteed.

"The successes of the Germany have been due almost entirely to the mechanical preponderance they achieved at the beginning of the war," said David Lloyd-George. Their advances east, west and south alike were due to this mechanical superiority and our failure to drive them back in th ewest or check their advance in the east was due to the tardiness with which the Allies developed their mechanical resources. But the superiority of the Central Powers in these respects will be brought to an end at the earliest possible moment."

Explaining the work of the ministry of munitions, which now controls more than 2,000 munitions factories employing about 1,000,000 workers, he said:

"In May, when the Germans were turning out a quarter of a million of high explosives daily we were producing only 2,500 and 13,000 shrapnel. Our troops knew it, the enemy knew it, but neither knew how short we were in some very essential requirements, he said. Take guns and ammunition. English military opinion was wedded to shrapnel when we suddenly found the high explosives was the thing. We still have a higher opinion of shrapnel than the French or the Germans.

"Last May, when the Germans were seeking a hundred times the number of high explosives we were making three-fourths of our factories were working on naval munitions. The munitions organization at the war office had not grown with the demand. They had to set up a great business organization to cope with the problem."

Referring to the lesson learned from the prodigal use of machine guns, by the Germans, Mr. Lloyd-George said:

"Here was a place where if we stinted material we squandered life."

In one direction, he added, the Allies had the superiority on the mechanical side.

"Our command of the sea," he said, "is due not to the excellence of our sailors but to our overwhelming superiority of machinery."

Describing the steps taken to speed up the output, Mr. Lloyd-George mentioned particularly the purchase of machinery in America and the acquisition by the government of raw material for many months to come for its allies as well as for itself. He emphasized the unexpected success which had attended munitions work in Ireland, thanks, he said, to the assistance of John Redmond.

Turning to the new national factories which he said now numbered thirty-three, he declared they had been conspicuiusly successful, minimizing labor difficulties and enabling the government to check prices. There were also hundreds of private factories under the co-operative scheme that previous-

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SPORTS

CONFIDENT OF PEACE IN BASEBALL CIRCLES

Leaders Leave for Conference at Cincinnati.

Delay in Withdrawing Federal League's Suit Against National May be Holding Up Announcement of Peace Pact.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Confident that the baseball war is practically at an end with only minor matters easy of adjustment to be arranged, leaders of the fight left tonight to attend the peace meeting at Cincinnati tomorrow. In the party were President Johnson, Charles Weeghman and President Chivington, of the American Association. Each said peace was assured.

Mr. Johnson declined to say definitely whether delay in the withdrawal of the Federal League's suit would hold up the peace pact being announced as signed. At Cincinnati the National Commission, defendant in the suit, will consult Attorney George Williams, of St. Louis, one of organized baseball's counsel. To the absence of Keene Addington, the Federal League attorney, was attributed failure of the third league to withdraw the suit as expected today.

Mr. Weeghman confirmed reports that he is to get the Chicago National League Club with the conclusion of peace. A meeting of directors of the Chicago Federal League Club was held in his office this afternoon, but what took place there was not announced.

None of the persons directly involved in the settlement of the war would confirm stories as to the details of the peace plans. That the meeting would be brief was predicted by President Johnson, who said it would probably begin about noon and be over by night.

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many doubts and even if this presentation were correct in all points and the most rigorous legal conception were applied to the judgment of the case, it does not in any way sufficiently warrant attaching blame to the commanding officer of the war vessel or to the Imperial and Royal government.

"The Government of the United States has also failed to designate the persons upon whose testimony it relies and to whom it apparently believes it may attribute a higher degree of credibility than to the commander of the Imperial and Royal fleet. The note also fails to give any information whatsoever as to the number, names, and more precise fate of the American citizens who were on board of the said steamer at the critical moment.

"However, in view of the fact that the Washington cabinet has not made a positive statement to the effect that citizens of the United States of America came to grief in the incident in question, the Imperial and Royal government is in principle ready to enter into an exchange of views in the affair with the government of the United States.

"It must, however, in the first place, raise the question why the government failed to give juridical reason for the demands set forth in its note with reference to the special circumstances of the incriminating events upon which it itself lays stress, and why in lieu thereof it referred to an exchange of correspondence which it has conducted with another government in other cases.

"The Imperial and Royal government is the less able to follow the Washington cabinet on this unusual path, since it by no means possesses authentic knowledge of all the pertinent correspondence of the government of the United States, nor is it of the opinion that such knowledge might be sufficient for it in the present case, which, in so far as it is informed, is in essential points of another nature than the case or cases to which the government of the United States seems to allude.

"The Imperial and Royal government may therefore leave it to the Washington cabinet to formulate the particular points of law against which the commanding officer of the submarine is alleged to have offended on the occasion of the sinking of the Ancona. The government of the United States has also seen fit to refer to the attitude which the Berlin cabinet assumed in the above mentioned correspondence. The Imperial and Royal government finds in the much esteemed note no indication whatever of the intent with which this reference was made. Should however, the government of the United States thereby have intended to express an opinion to the effect that a prejudice of whatever nature existed for the Imperial and Royal government with respect to the juridical consideration of the affair in question this government must in order to preclude possible misunderstandings, declare that as a matter of course it reserves to itself full freedom of maintaining its own legal views in the discussion of the case of the Ancona.

"In having the honor to have recourse to the kindness of His Excellency the Ambassador of the United States of America with the most respectful request to be good enough to communicate the foregoing to the American Government, and on this occasion to state that the Imperial and Royal government in no less degree than the American Government and under all circumstances must sincerely deplore the fate of the innocent victims of the incident in question, the undersigned at the same time avails himself on this opportunity to renew the expressions of his most distinguished consideration to his Excellency the Ambassador.

(Signed) "BURIAN.
"PENFIELD."

FIVE PROVINCES REBEL.

Will Not Submit to the Rule of Yuan Shi Kai in China.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—Tong King Chong, president of the Chinese Republic Association, received a cablegram from Shanghai, China, tonight which stated that five Chinese provinces had declared their independence of the rule of Yuan Shi Kai.

Christmas Slippers, just received at Peterson & Rulfs. de 21-3t
(Advertisement.)

WHAT IS AN AMATEUR ATHLETE IS QUESTION

Will be Discussed by Sports Representatives.

Definite Agreement May be Reached at Conference in New York—Inter-Collegiate Association Makes Suggestions.

New York, Dec. 20.—The amateur and other questions of vital importance to athletic competitions will be discussed at a conference here next Monday by representatives of the governing bodies controlling the several branches of amateur sports. The conference may last throughout the week and in all probability a definite agreement will be reached as to what constitutes an amateur and how such standing may be forfeited and subsequently regained. Prior to the meeting the delegates who are to attend will be furnished with a list of suggestions compiled by the executive and advisory committee of the Inter-Collegiate Association of Amateur Athletics of America. These suggestions were formulated at a meeting held here yesterday and are given out for what they are worth but not as definite conclusions in regard to amateurism.

The committee describes an amateur sportsman as one who engages in sport solely for the pleasure and physical benefits he derives therefrom and to whom sport is nothing more than an avocation.

In the opinion of the committee a person should cease to be an amateur by committing any of the following acts:

"A—By competing or giving an exhibition in any athletic sport under an assumed name, or by being guilty of any fraud or other grossly unsportsmanlike conduct in connection therewith.

"B—By directly, or indirectly receiving pay or financial benefits in consideration of or as a reward for participating in any public athletic competition or exhibition.

"C—By directly or indirectly receiving pay or financial benefits in consideration for or as a reward for instructing or preparing any person in or any athletic competition, exhibition or exercise.

"D—By granting or permitting the use of one's name to advertise or promote the sale of, or to act as the personal solicitor for the sale, or as the actual salesman of sporting goods, prizes, trophies, or other commodities for use chiefly in or in connection with athletic games or exhibitions or, by engaging for pay or financial benefit in any occupation or business transaction whereby his usefulness or value arises chiefly from the publicity given or to be given to the reputation or fame which he has secured from his athletic performances, rather than from his ability to perform the usual and natural acts and duties incident to such occupation or transaction.

"E—By having played in any public competition or exhibition upon a team upon which there were professionals but who himself had not been paid to play or to coach or who in any manner, except by reason of such associating, has not had his amateur status affected; or,

"Without having first obtained the consent of the organization governing such sport, by having participated therein in any individual public competition or exhibition with or against a professional, but who except by reason of such associating has not had his amateur status affected."

SUSPENDS INJUNCTION AGAINST UNITED SHOE MACHINERY CO.

Appeal from Decision Government Case Will be Heard January 25.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—An order suspending the temporary injunction issued against the United Shoe Machinery Company in the government suit under the Clayton law, was issued in Federal Court here today. The order was issued on the promise of the United Shoe Machinery Company to give $100,000 bond to secure the public against injury as a result of suspension of the injunction.

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 20.—Newbern is tonight wrapped in a blanket of snow. Depth at 9 o'clock is about two inches. Although temperature is not so low, the fleecy flakes are sticking instead of melting. This is the first snow of consequence of the season.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Department of State.

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come—Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Palace Clothing Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated at No. — Front street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, E. I. Bear being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this certificate of Dissolution;

Now, therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 16th day of December, 1915, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceeding aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Raleigh, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1915.

J. BRYAN GRIMES,
Secretary of State.

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STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY RALEIGH HIGH

They Squeezed 6 to 0 Victory Through in Third Quarter.

In its Broad Aspects, Game Was Very Similar to Carolina-Virginia Game This Year—Excitement Ran High at Times.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 20.—Raleigh squeezed a 6 to 0 victory through Charlotte's line on the third quarter here today and won the State high school championship. Hotchkiss, Raleigh's fullback, went through center for 200 yards and a touchdown. In its broad aspects, the game was very similar to the Carolina-Virginia game in Richmond this year. The first two quarters ended both times with the ball in midfield.

One of the features of the game was the work of the opposing quarters, Champion and Captain Pharr. Hotchkiss' long runs, Crayton's points and tackles brought frequent cheers.

Twice in the first two quarters Raleigh's heavy and fast offense, led by Champion, had bent the Charlotte defense almost back to the Charlotte goal posts and twice the Charlotte defense, springing back powerfully, had rushed the Raleigh team again to the center of the field.

In third quarter Champion rushed his team up to Charlotte's 20-yard line. For the third time the Charlotte defense cracked, and through the hole at center shot Hotchkiss for the touchdown that won the game.

The excitement flared up higher than ever at the opening of fourth quarter. Charlotte's chance to win a 7 to 6 State championship had come. She had the ball on Raleigh's 20-yard line. A center rush gave her four yards. It was first down and 16 yards to the goal posts. Then it was that a tackle, breaking through, got the speedy Tempieton six yards behind the line and, though Charlotte played on without losing a spark of her fighting spirit, she never regained the lost ground.

TESTIFY CADET SWEET HAD WOUNDS ON BODY

(Continued From Page One).

Lee University as the result of Paul Scott, a Washington and Lee student, sending reports to the newspapers that Cadet Thurber Sweet, of Chicago, is believed to have died from injuries as the result of hazing at the hands of upper classmen at V. M. I. The University faculty after an investigation into Scott's acts, decided the institution had no control over the student's connection with the authorship of the reports, conducted as an individual.

Scott, it is learned, has been advised through fraternity channels, that it would be wise for him to leave Lexington. He declares he will remain here. He holds firmly to the belief that Sweet was hazed.

Authorities of both schools are doing everything possible to avert trouble between the students. A conference between President Smith, of the University and Superintendent Nichols, of V. M. I., was held Saturday. What occurred at the meeting was not made public.

NEIGHBORLY ADVICE

Freely Given by a Wilmington Citizen.

When one has suffered tortures from a bad back and found relief from the aches and pains, that person's advice is of untild value to friends and neighbors. The following neighborly advice comes from a Wilmington resident.

Mrs. A. Herring, Fifth and Castle Sts., Wilmington, says: "My back ached like a toothache and I couldn't rest day or night. My kidneys were also very irregular in action. My head ached so badly I could hardly endure it, and I felt miserable all over. On taking a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Hall's Drug Store, I was relieved of the misery in my back. Three boxes cured me of backache and made me feel like a different person. Since then, when my kidneys have been a little out of order, I have taken a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills and they have never failed to give me quick relief."

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See
The BATTLE CRY of PEACE

MOTON IS THE NEW HEAD OF TUSKEGEE

Elected President to Succeed Booker Washington.

A NEGRO OF INFLUENCE

Has Been Commandant of Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute Since 1890—Understands Problem of His Race.

New York, Dec. 20.—Major Robert R. Moton, Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, Hampton, Va., was selected to succeed Booker T. Washington as president of Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., at a meeting of the special committee of the trustees of the institute here today. The choice was unanimous. The committee making the selection was composed of Seth Low, chairman of the Tuskegee trustees; Frank Trumbull, of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad; Edgar A. Bancroft, W. W. Campbell and Victor H. Tulane.

In a statement issued by the committe, it is declared that by the election of Major Moton "the policies, aims and attitude of the institute will continue unchanged."

The committee paid tribute to the ability of Emmett J. Scott, temporarily head of the institute since the death of Dr. Washington as follows: "In taking this action the committee has not been unmindful of the long devotion and of the many qualifications of Mr. Emmett J. Scott for the position. The problem to be dealt with is a many sided one and it has seemed wise to seek a solution of it that will bring to the work of Tuskegee another forceful personality."

Mayor Moton is a negro of unmixed blood, tracing his ancestry back to African slave days. He was born in Amelia county, Virginia, in 1867 and Shade," as the Vaughan plantation in Prince Edward county was called. His mother was cook at the Big House and his father led the hands on the plantation. He was sent to a free school opened in the neighborhood and after his first taste of knowledge he became ambitious to go to the Hampton Institute. Entering the institute in 1885 he graduated five years later and was prevailed upon by General Armstrong to remain as drill master and assistant to the commandant of the school cadets. Shortly afterward he became commandant, a position which he has held to the present day.

SEVERE PUNISHMENT

Of Mrs. Chappell, of Five Years' Standing, Relieved by Cardui.

Mt. Airy, N. C.—Mrs. Sarah M. Chappell of this town, says: "I suffered for five years with womanly troubles, also stomach troubles, and my punishment was more than any one could tell.

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NOTICE

The Citizens' Building and Loan Association will be closed on Saturday, December 25th and Saturday, January 1st, and payments due on said dates will be received on Friday, December 24th and Friday, December 31st, respectively.

The usual semi-annual series of stock will be issued on Friday, December 31st. Reservations for this stock can be made by notifying the undersigned.

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Jardinieres.. .. .. $1.50 to $3.50
Brass Cuspidors. . . . .75c to $1.50
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COTTON GINNED NOW IS 10,303,253 BALES

Census Bureau Issues Report to December 13

On the Same Date Last Year the Government Report Showed That 13,972,229 Bales Had Been Ginned—Next Report.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The seventh cotton ginning report of the season, compiled from reports on Census Bureau correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt and issued at 10 A. M. today, announced that 10,303,253 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1915, has been ginned prior to December 13. That compared with 13,972,229 bales, or 87.8 per cent of the entire crop ginned prior to December 13 last year, 12,088,412 bales, or 92.5 per cent in 1913, and 11,854,541 bales, or 92.2 per cent in 1912. The average quantity of cotton ginned prior to December 13 in the last ten years was 11,476,189 bales, or 89.5 per cent of the crop.

Included in the ginnings were 100,940 round bales, compared with 42,796 last year, 91,686 in 1913, and 75,772 in 1912.

Sea Island cotton included numbered 83,810 bales, compared with 71,401 last year; 69,520 in 1913, and 60,445 in 1912.

Ginnings prior to December 13 by states, with comparisons for the last three years and the percentage of the entire crop ginned in those state prior to that date in the same years, follow:

	Bales	Pct.
Alabama:		
1915	987,482	...
1914	1,573,140	90.8
1913	1,444,212	97.3
1912	1,234,755	93.9
Arkansas:		
1915	721,540	...
1914	893,965	89.5
1913	885979	85.3
1912	703,329	91.2
Florida:		
1915	53,380	...
1914	80,909	89.3
1913	63,082	94.6
1912	52,895	89.9
Georgia:		
1915	1,860,929	...
1914	2,451,644	90.0
1913	2,215,308	94.4
1912	1,675,670	92.4
Louisiana:		
1915	328,190	...
1914	415,278	91.8
1913	391,454	89.6
1912	361,123	96.4
Mississippi:		
1915	863,962	...
1914	1,082,816	88.9
1913	1,084,680	86.6
1912	883,458	88.0
North Carolina:		
1915	667,113	...
1914	766,445	79.0
1913	708,598	84.6
1912	819,662	90.4
Oklahoma:		
1915	511,560	...
1914	1,069,018	86.7
1913	789,782	93.7
1912	902,329	89.8
South Carolina:		
1915	1,098,226	...
1914	1,328,482	85.1
1913	1,276,428	90.0
1912	1,128,850	92.2
Tennessee:		
1915	265,120	...
1914	319,284	85.8
1913	340,685	92.9
1912	230,239	86.1
Texas:		
1915	2,876,699	...
1914	3,874,388	88.3
1913	3,627,190	96.1
1912	4,368,915	94.0
All Other States:		
1915	78,052	...
1914	116,680	70.7
1913	100,030	83.2
1912	77,811	86.4

Ginnings of Sea Island cotton prior to December 13, by states:

	Florida	Georgia	S.Car.
1915	26,719	52,908	4,813
1914	30,488	37,395	3,518
1913	24,126	39,014	6,880
1912	19,505	35,418	5,522

The next ginning report of the Census Bureau will be issued at 10 A. M. Saturday, January 8th, and will show the quantity of cotton ginned prior to January 1st.

TREAT TO MUSIC LOVERS.

"Messiah" Presented by 160 Persons at State Normal College.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 20.—One hundred and sixty people presented the "Messiah" to music lovers of the city at the State Normal and Industrial College yesterday afternoon. On Saturday evening it had been presented to the student body of the college. Of the people who composed the chorus 110 were members of the student body and 50 were men of Greensboro. Soloists were Miss Kathryn Severson, of the faculty, soprano; Mrs. Wade Brown, contralto; Overton Moyle, of New York, bass, and Judson House, of New York, tenor.

PITT FOLK PAYING TAXES

Books Never Turned Over to Sheriff Until Last Week.

(Special Star Corerspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 20.—At last the tax books are in the hands of the sheriff and people are paying their taxes. Some of the books were put in the sheriff's hands last Monday, but he did not get them all until Friday. There have been near $15,000 paid the past week. The increase over last year is causing much kicking. This is the latest the books were ever getting into the sheriff's hands.

RAILROADS ARE LIABLE

South Carolina Statute is Upheld by U. S. Supreme Court.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The South Carolina statute making railway carriers liable to one another and also liable to a shipper for damages to a shipment was upheld today by the Supreme Court as constitutional. The decision was rendered by Chief Justice White in the case of R. W. Glenn, suing the Atlantic Coast Line, the initial carrier, for damages occurring to a shipment while on the Southern Railway, a connecting carrier. The shipment was from Chester to Latta, S. C.

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(Advertisement.)

All the New Dances

Originated by the Castles in "The Whirl of Life," Victoria Friday and Saturday. (advertisement.)

THEATRICAL

Already requests for reservations for "The Whirl of Life" are being received by telephone. The statement that reservations could be made by telephoning either 327 or 759-J did not mean that they could be made before the advance sale opened Wednesday morning. No one can secure seats until after 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, when the advance sale opens at the Victoria theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Castle, the world's greatest dancers, are due to get a rousing reception in Wilmington. If they appeared in person, goodness knows how much it would cost per seat, but through the medium of motion pictures they will be seen at a very small cost by thousands of Wilmingtonians.

"The Whirl of Life" is a stupendous production, which, while revolving around the strange history of this famous couple, and telling their life story in a drama full of tense and exciting situations, suspense, romance and love, is with it all, the most marvelous conception of the famous Castles and their great dances that has ever been seen. Even in their great Broadway stage successes not one-tenth the number of dances are seen as are incorporated in this great production.

Seats go on sale tomorrow morning, and reservations after that may be made by telephone if desired. Only a few seats are held at 50 cents.

"The Melting Pot"—Tomorrow.

In describing "The Melting Pot" after he had seen it on the screen, one New York newspaper man simply wrote: "Spectacular, Sensational, Beautiful; Famous Star, Famous Play, Famous Author." That sized it up perfectly.

VERNON CASTLE.
Starring with Mrs. Castle in "The Whirl of Life," Victoria Friday and Saturday.

"The Melting Pot" on the legitimate stage made such a sensation as has never before been equalled by any production. As a motion picture feature it is destined to live among the really great productions of all time. A superb company of well known stars, headed by that eminent Broadway star, Walter Whiteside, with beautiful photography, dramatic acting and stirring situations which the story contains, make up one of the most interesting five-act dramas of the year.

"The Melting Pot" was the master effort of that master writer of the age, Israel Zangwill, and in book form has been read by millions. As a photoplay the stirring scenes of this play have been carefully reproduced, and this feature should draw big at the Victoria tomorrow.

Theda Bara at the Royal.

Not even in her former masterpieces, "The Devil's Daughter," and "A Fool There Was" did Theda Bara excell or even equal her performance in the Fox picturization of Alexander Dumas' deathless drama, "The Clemenceau Case," which is today's feature at the Royal.

"The Clemenceau Case" is a screen play dealing relentlessly with the elemental fires of human passion, written with a pen that scorches and burns like acid. A living etching from life that will engrave itself for all time in the memory of its beholders. The famous "Vampire Woman" has a drama well suited for her talents in "The Clemenceau Case," The character of Iza, the beautiful woman with the basilisk soul, whose diversion is luring men on to love and ruin, affords her an opportunity to give a rendition of this most remarkable part ever written, that will scorch the memories of her spectators like a living flame.

Supporting Theda Bara in this production extraordinary is William Shay and a great cast of stars, including Stuart Holmes and Sidney Lee.

Nat C. Goodwin in "Never Say Die."

The announcement that on next Wednesday America's foremost actor, Nat Goodwin, will make his appearance at the Academy of Music after an absence of some years, in a farcical comedy by Mr. Wm. H. Post, entitled "Never Say Die" is bound to cause more than a passing comment.

Mr. Goodwin, always a warm favorite in this city, has this time provided himself with what is pronounced by the critics as his best vehicle since "When We Were Twenty-One".

"Never Say Die" has just completed this eminent star's longest and most successful season and also has a year's run to capacity business at the Apollo Theatre, London, though, as a matter of fact, it has originally 21 weeks as a laughing success in New York City to its credit.

The story is woven around one Dionysious Woodbury, an American millionaire bachelor, living in London, who, having been given only three more weeks to live, marries the beautiful fiance of his struggling artist friend, by special arrangements, so that he can legally leave her his fortune, that she can then marry the man of her choice and enable him to pursue his chosen profession.

The doctors having erred in their diagnosis of his ailment instead of dying he grows more and more healthy each day, despite his reckless mode of living and disobedience of the doctor's orders.

His friend's efforts to terminate this business marriage and the complication arising from the attempts to "get Woodbury with the goods" so that divorce proceedings can be instituted, cause no end of laughter and amusement for those who witness the unraveling of this merry comedy.

To establish values even in the interminable question of relative merit as to acting, Mr. Goodwin has surrounded himself with a group of actors and actresses selected with a first appreciation of physical and artistic excellence and ability.

Complimentary to the dominant note of beautly, which should always prevail, Miss Margaret Moreland has been selected as the leading lady for the organization, while Nan Bernard and Maude Henderson play the other important women's parts, Dennis Cleugh, Isador Marcil, Alexandre J. Herbert, Luke Vrohman, Frank Lynch and Master Keato will handle the male assignment. Prices will range from 50 cents to $1.50. Tickets are now selling at Plummer's.

All the New Dances

Originated by the Castles in "The Whirl of Life," Victoria Friday and Saturday. (advertisement.)

Parisian Splendor

In gay cafe scenes in "The Whirl of Life," starring the Castles, Victoria, Friday and Saturday.—Advertisement

At the Grand Today.

Of "On the Little Mill Trace," a two-act Essanay drama starring at the Grand today, the Moving Picture World says:

"The two reels of this photoplay, written by Crittenden Marriott, contains an unconventional and human story which will stir the heart of every spectators. Directness of construction and strength of motive are two of its dominant qualities and it has been sympathetically directed by Lawrence Window. Nell Craig carries the burden of the acting. Her impersonation of the deserted wife is imbued with deep feeling and fine technique. Thomas Comerford, H. E. Thompson and John Cossar, give adequate support."

That's pretty strong for a single picture on a regular programme, so you'll want to look this over today.

The wonderful animals of the Selig Zoo are shown to a great advantage in a single reel Zoo drama, "The Lost Messenger." The photoplay itself is interesting and tells of the adventures of a young American while collecting wild beasts for a circus.

A great Billy Reeves comedy, "The Cellar Spy" gives this comedian room for some of his funniest work.

"Broken Coin" Day—Bijou.

"Broken Coin" day! That means crowded houses at the Bijou both this afternoon and tonight. And with the holiday week it will doubtless bring larger crowds than yet have witnessed this stirring serial drama, starring filmdom's two greatest favorites, Grace Cunard and Francis Ford.

This episode of the world's greatest serial contains thrills enough to make a half dozen ordinary reels of motion pictures, but it's all crammed into two stirring reels, so full of action that you simply can't keep up with it all.

"Gilded Youth" is a great three-reel drama on today's bill that is certainly an exceptional offering that should draw large crowds. It's a story written by Rupert Julian, and starring himself with Elsie Jane Wilson, and depicts a story of the true Bohemian life of Paris as it actually existed before the great European war began. Mr. Julian is himself from the true Bohemia of Paris and knows whereof he writes and acts. "Guilded Youth" contains striking scenes of this quarter of Paris, and is true to life and accurate in its every detail of description.

INMATES GIVE CANTATA

Entertainent Given at Caswell Training School of High Order.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 20.—Rev. E. N. Harrison, pastor of Caswell Street Methodist church here, declares that he doubts if any normal school children in North Carolina could pull off as creditable a performance as was given by inmates of the Caswell Training school, the State institution for the feeble-minded at Hines' Junction, a couple of nights ago. Thirty of the children of the school engaged in a cantata, presented on an improvised stage in the dining room of the central building, which surprised even Superintendent McNairy himself. The little actors seemed to be unaware of the audience's presence, so wrapped up were they in their work. Normal children would have been, some of them at least in such a number, embarrassed, says Mr. Harrison. These forgot about the spectators and carried out their parts like artists. The plot of the cantata hinged upon the carelessness of Santa Claus, who carried some 75 or 80 fictitious miles out of the way a turkey to a place at which a baby should have been left. Cleverly costumed boys and girls were Santa Claus, a church sexton, "Jack Frost," fairies, hobgoblins and the like. An audience which filled the dining room felt amply repaid for braving bad weather and a wet road to see the performance.

APPOINT "SALARY COMMITTEES"

Progress in Campaign Against Sweating System in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 19.—Further progress in the campaign against the sweating system in Paris has been made by the appointment of "salary committees" in accordance with the law passed last July with the object of regulating working conditions in the homes of women engaged in the clothing industries. The law itself represents the successful conclusion of a social movement which has been going on in France for many years.

The committees, of which there are nine for the department of the Seine, consist each of five members, a justice of the peace presiding over four delegates, two representing the employers and two the women workers.

As yet the law only deals with female workers, but it is expected that once a minimum wage has been fixed for women the male worker at home who receives a lower salary than this minimum can sue his employer and recover payment of the difference.

COLLIDE IN FOG.

Schooner Capsizes When It Strikes Steamer in Patapsco River.

Baltimore, Dec. 20.—The schooner Richard Cromwell and the Spanish steamer Mar Cantabricos collided in the fog today at the mouth of the Patapsco river. The schooner capsized but was kept afloat by her cargo. Her crew of four men escaped in yawl boats. The steamer was uninjured.

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To feel like young folks feel; like you felt before your blood, nerves and muscles became loaded with body impurities, get from your pharmacist a quarter pound of limestone phosphate which is inexpensive and almost tasteless, except for a sourish twinge which is not unpleasant.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and freshening, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. Men and women who are usually constipated, bilious, headachy or have any stomach disorder should begin this inside bothing before breakfast. They are assured they will become real cranks on the subject shortly.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

The love of books is a love which requires neither justification, apology, nor defense. —A. LANGFORD.

Saloniki is a haven of refuge.

Do your Christmas shopping with a smile.

What in the Tom nation is Teddy roaring about, anyhow?

Father Time has put in his appearance and is ready with his long bony finger to stop the clock in 1915.

Everybody is now talking about national efficiency. Where have we heard that word before?

Santa Claus has the advantage of international law, inasmuch as Santa continues to be recognized by all nations.

This world is but a vale of tears to man's illusion given, But just the same he'll never leave this vale till he is driven.

Christmas tragedies have commenced already. What other country on the face of the earth converts a Christian festival into a heathen orgy?

It is a wise Jonah who retains possession of his faculties and remains on dry land when a ship weighs anchor and sails away on a peace voyage.

Some men make fools of themselves and know it, but others who do so are such fools that they never know what they have done to themselves.

It will be time for Wilmington and Fayetteville to shake hands when the modern highway or the improved wateway connecting the two cities is completed.

While President Wilson is participating in a honeymoon it is doubted whether he will waste time enough to give even casual perusal to Roosevelt's latest flubdubbery.

A woman's idea is that a man is bound to make a good husband after she takes him in hand. The possibilities in man give him many a chance that he otherwise never would have.

Sir Edward Grey has repudiated the censorship, so the newspapers are at a great loss to know whom to blame for the displeasing and unsatisfactory efficiency displayed in censoring the news.

A Missouri man who was trying to support two wives on $9 a week has been arrested and confined in jail. He might have known what would happen to him for attempting to finance a double life on jitney bus fare.

Democrats think Leader Claude Kitchin played Old Harry with the Republicans in the House, but Republicans don't like a Democrat well enough to show signs of consternation when he gives them their dues.

One more cause for alarm has been eliminated. A French scientist has written a book to prove that the ocean will never become dry from evaporation. Since it is neither likely that the bottom of the ocean will drop out or spring a leak, we know of nothing else that will tend to discourage the advocates of a subsidy for the American merchant marine.

The most disastrous panic ever experienced by this country in the matter of paralyzed industries and destruction of values occurred when Colonel Roosevelt was President. He blamed it on a few men in Wall Street, but our recollection of it is that he had to depend on Wall Street to stop it. Wall Street's service fee for doing it was President Roosevelt's permission for the Steel Trust to gobble up the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, which was regarded by Big Business as a menace to complete monopolization of the country's iron industry. The Tennessee concern was the Belgium of the deal.

CANALIZATION CELEBRATION

The canalization project on the Cape Fear between Wilmington and Fayetteville will be fully completed by this time next year. It is the idea of the engineer corps that the formal opening of the canalized waterway will be not later than January 1, 1917, just a year away. Work is progressing favorably on the river locks and dams but it does not interfere with the present operation of steamers between Wilmington and Fayetteville, a distance of 115 miles by water.

The completed project, however, will assure a minimum water depth of eight feet at any time on the shoal stretches of the river, heretofore an obstacle to navigation. At the lowest stage of the water in the river at any season of the year, there will be an eight-foot channel all the way to Fayetteville. Of course, at higher stages of the river it is quite possible to have an open channel of 10 to 12 feet to the head of navigation on the Cape Fear, about 150 miles from the river's junction with the Atlantic ocean.

The completion of the canalization project will enable propeller steamers and barges to run to Fayetteville, and it will be possible for some classes of vessels to run from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Norfolk or other ports to the city of Fayetteville. This improved waterway into the interior of the State will make the Cape Fear one of the most important commercial rivers in this country. It will be one of the few canalized rivers in the United States, and since it will greatly increase the commercial opportunities of one of the most resourceful sections of the State, it is quite natural that this modernized waterway will bring about a marked development of many hundred square miles of territory. It will also make Fayetteville a more important interior distributing point and provide greater transportation facilities for Fayetteville and several counties collaterally affected by her transportation advantages.

Wilmington appreciates the greater prestige it will give her as an ocean port with a continuous waterways system already covering some 500 miles of navigable waters in the State and as far south as Little River, South Carolina. It will enlarge the commercial, industrial and agricultural opportunities of this portion of North Carolina, and altogether the possibilities are of such magnitude that The Star considered it worth while a few days ago to suggest that Wilmington should have a celebration signalizing the completion of the project.

Senator W. B. Cooper telephoned The Star yesterday that he considers the suggestion a capital idea and that he regards the occasion as of such pronounced importance that the Chamber of Commerce should arrange for a celebration worthy of so great a progressive achievement in the general development of Wilmington and the Cape Fear region. Mr. Cooper thinks that Cumberland, Bladen and other counties would take enthusiastically to the proposition and that the business men in the Cape Fear territory would appreciate an invitation to be the guests of the business men of this city on the occasion of a waterway jubilee. For one thing, he suggests a banquet and a programme for speeches by the government engineers and the business men of Wilmington, Fayetteville and throughout all the distributing territory that is to get the benefit of water freight facilities and rates.

Wilmington had such a celebration some years ago when the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad was completed to this port, and it must be admitted that such occasions are immensely effective in emphasizing the achievements and progress which this portion of North Carolina is so continuously scoring. We have a year in which to get ready for a celebration, but we need not wait a year to let it be known that Wilmington proposes to celebrate.

THE MATTER OF POSSIBILITIES.

The successful manufacture of soy bean oil and meal in Eastern North Carolina comes as a surprise to people all over this section and the interesting news is being spread all over the United States. It is a good piece of publicity for this portion of the Nation's Garden Spot.

This new oil manufacturing industry reminds us of the fact that North Carolinans have referred often to the possibilities in North Carolina from the seashore to the mountains. We new have sprung on us suddenly the possibilities in the production of soy beans and the resultant manufacture of a highly valued oil and other by-products of the industry. Thus we see that we have introduced to ourselves an industrial possibility and an agricultural possibility so closely related as once more to emphasize in a marvelous way the wonderful adaptabilities in this portion of the State.

We get from the new industry a concrete example of what our resources make possible and enable us to do, while the manufacture of oil itself, together with the fact that Eastern North Carolina already is the largest soy bean producing section in America, constitutes striking evidence of the opportunities so brought to our notice in just this one instance.

We think it is well to go on emphasizing what is meant when the State Bureau of Publicity announced its purpose to emphasize the resources, opportunities, advantages and possibilities in North Carolina. When we once comprehend fully what each one of those potential things are in the concrete, and not so much as they are repeated as merely words, we will begin to appreciate North Carolina more.

Successful achievements with the potentialities at our hands will provide the State with the best publicity that it can possibly get. We may write about matters from a theoretical or indefinite standpoint all right, but when we get right on the job and do some downright demonstration of what we can do ourselves, other will know that they, too, can come here and do the same.

Meanwhile we must do more practical studying, so that we may know what are the opportunities and possibilities in this State without our waiting to discover them or letting somebody else discover them for us. A Pennsylvanian came down in this section a few years ago, and he is laying it all over us on something that we should have beaten him to years ago. We will have to refer to that some other time.

In the meantime, let us get a better understanding ourselves of what we mean in referring to our resources and advantages so we can detail them and reel them off instead of simply mentioning them in a somewhat categorical and more or less meaningless way.

SHIP BUILDING ON A BOOM.

Judging from the tremendous boom in ship building in the United States, the advocates of a subsidy for an American merchant marine are not the people who are crowding all the ship yards with orders for ships of every description. The activity in ship building, the greatest in all the history of this country, indicates that, in spite of those who are calamity howlers about disaster to the shipping industry, the real shipping men who mean business are in a hurry to build ships and get them on the ocean.

It is said that ship building activities are greater than was ever known in the memory of man. The South has a ship building plant that is said to be the largest and best equipped in America, and we refer to that fact for the reason that we have seen such references to the Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Docn Company. Mr. Homer L. Ferguson, president of that concern is quoted in the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot as saying that the present activity in American ship yards is the most remarkable he has ever seen. The tonnage in American ocean-going ships, President Ferguson says, now embraces an aggregate vessel displacement of 1,750,000 tons. There are now under construction more than 500,000 tons in ships, more than was ever known before in process of being built at any time in the history of the United States.

Every ship yard in the United States is crowded with construction work and is pressed with new orders. The Newport News yard has under contract work to the value of $30,000,000, and in addition to that it has accepted four more big ships for the Southern Pacific Company. The ships being built in American yards are larger than American shipping firms have ordered in the past, and what the Newport News concern is doing is being done in a proportionate way at every other ship yard in America.

We will soon have an American merchant marine, if the present clip is kept up by Americans who are going to engage more extensively in ocean carrying.

THE FIGHT AGAINST AUTO MAIL SERVICE.

We don't see why the Postoffice Department or the congressmen from the different states should be annoyed by the strange opposition that has come up in the fights reported from some sections against the department's plan to put motor car delivery on some of the rural routes. It is quite evident that the rural carriers have started the fight, as they foresee that the faster service on the routes will knock some of them out of a job.

It seems that some of the rural carriers in Georgia have persuaded the patrons on the routes to join them in the fight, but when the patrons understand that motor car service is all intended to give them better service, they will wake up and find out that they are fighting against progress in their own behalf.

The old horse and buggy routes are bound to be discontinued in the good roads sections, else one of the benefits of good roads cannot be enjoyed by the farmers in the way of getting mail quicker and more frequently than in the past. This disposition to block progress is a moss-back custom from away back, but it never stopped railroads, steamboats, electricity and other necessities that have forced themselves into common use.

The first proposition to build electric railways almost caused a riot, but the result shows the folly and futility of such unreasonable opposition. People learn better as modern progress advances and they will only laugh at some ideas they once entertained before they became forward looking men.

CURRENT COMMENT.

If the Republicans are willing to agree with the Democrats to make a raid on the treasury they should not be so particular as to how it is to be done—Durham Sun.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal directs attention to the fact that in the Norfolk and Western the South furnishes an example of efficiency in railroading which might well incite to emulation the railways of the country generally. For the four months ending with October 31, the Norfolk and Western, which operates lines aggregating something over two thousand miles, showed a net income of six and a quarter million dollars, or a net increase of sixty-eight per cent. over the corresponding months last year. This is a remarkable showing in its self, but little short of amazing is the fact that, despite its bigger net earnings this year, the operating expenses of the road were less than they were last year. The record constitutes an illuminating example of what efficiency can and does accomplish and so furnishes an object lesson which other systems might profitably study. The Norfolk and Western, it may be worth while to observe, is a great freight carrier, only about one-eighth of its total business being due to passengers, mail and express.—Norfolk-Virginian Pilot.

Admiral Dewey used to be considered a very sensible and able American, but we suppose that he will now be regarded by the Kitchins and other believers in our immunity from ordinary human vicissitudes as a very silly and ridiculous old man. He actually thinks that we need a far larger navy than we have, and that if we do not create one "strong enough to meet on equal terms the navy of the strongest probable adversary," we shall be at the mercy of any big power with which we happen to be at odds. Our coast abounds in places, now undefended, at which an enemy's fleet could cover the landing of troops from transports, and there are many which specially invite such unbidden guests, among them Frenchmans Bay, Penobscot Bay, Blue Hill Bay, Sheepscott river, Casco Bay, in Maine; Rockport, Gloucester, Salem, Plymouth, Provincetown, Vineyard Sound and Buzzard Bay, in Massachusetts, and Delaware and Chesapeake Bays, in our own neighborhood. An enemy with a large navy could pick his own place for landing, and could put his soldiers ashore if we hadn't a fleet strong enough to drive him off. But why should we pay any attention to a dreamer like Dewey? What does he know about it anyhow? Our naval experts from the farming districts, our gifted admirals from the prairie states and our prescient pulpit commodores are our best advisers. We can wisely leave our national safety to them. Why worry about a little thing like a navy when Kitchin and his company of Solomons tell us it is folly to prepare?—Baltimore Sun.

"ALL ABOUT PREPAREDNESS"

University Debaters' Handbook Chock Full of Information.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 20.—The High School Debaters' Handbook, chock full of interesting and instructive material on preparedness or non-preparedness, is just off the press. The subject for debate this year is "Resolved, That the United States Shall Adopt the Policy of Greatly Enlarging its Navy." The Handbook, designated as the University Extension Series No. 14, contains sixty-four pages dealing on the question of naval enlargement.

The Handbook might be divided into five parts. The first part gives a brief summary of the history of the High School Debating Union; the second gives the official estimate of the Navy's programme as recommended by President Wilson and Secretary Daniels; part three is a brief for the debate; part four is devoted to references—affirmative and negative; and the fifth and last part of the Handbook gives a Bibliography or list of publications query under discussion.
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BABY BITTEN BY BIRD DOG.

Top Wagon Rolled Over Canine's Feet Excites Its Anger.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., Dec. 20.—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Sheffield while at play last Friday was quite badly bitten by Mr. Sheffield's bird dog. The little boy, aged about 15 months, rolled a toy wagon over the dog's foot, which made the animal angry, and caused it to bite the child on the head, inflicting a scalp would which necessitated several stitches being taken. The little fellow is getting on nicely at present, however.

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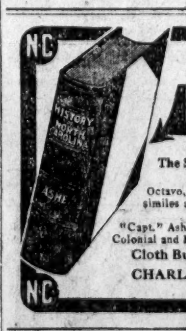

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WILMINGTON VISITED BY FIRST CLASS SNOW

Four Inches Had Fallen Up Until Midnight

First of Any Consequence This Season and the Heaviest in Several Years. Storm Warning by Weather Bureau.

Wilmington was visited last night by a real first class snow, the first of any consequence this season and the heaviest for this city in several years. By midnight, although it did not begin falling until early in the evening, there had been a fall of about four inches and it was snowing faster than ever with no indications of stopping. Reports indicated that the snow was confined largely to the coastal section.

The day began raw and cold with heavy overhanging clouds, which presaged snow. Early in the afternoon it began raining, which soon turned to sleet with occasional flakes of snow. This continued a short while and later it began to rain again. It looked like those who had been wishing for a Christmas snow would be disappointed. About 6 o'clock it began to snow in good earnest but on account of the wetness of the ground it did not lie. The streets were slushy but soon the snow had reached a depth of an inch or more, and by 10 o'clock the snow had begun to lie compactly on the ground.

At 10 o'clock the snow was coming down at a rapid pace. With it came a rather driving wind from the north. Pedestrians found it decidedly uncomfortable to travel on the streets. Automobiles and trolley cars, however, continued to go without difficulty. Several accidents to automobiles were reported, these being due to skidding.

In order to be sure that the trolley lines were kept open during the night, Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager of the Tidewater Power Company went to his office and directed that cars be kept running all night. Three snow plows were put out on the tracks to keep them open. At midnight, he said he did not anticipate having to close down the lines on account of the snow, although at that time it was impossible to say what depth the snow might reach. It was snowing thickly and fast and in large flakes.

Reports from nearby towns were to the effect that snow was falling all along the coast but little was falling in the interior. Passengers on the night train from Rocky Mount stated that it was snowing all along the line to that place. A special from Newbern stated that two inches had fallen there at 9 o'clock and it was still falling. A message from Lumberton at 11 o'clock stated that only a light snow had fallen there up to that time, house tops just about being covered. It began snowing there early in the evening but later turned to rain and then later in the night began a fine snow again. Snow was reported at 8 o'clock in Charleston and Savannah.

Observer Felger at 10 o'clock received the following storm warning from Washington: "Hoist northeast storm warning at 10 P. M., Cape Henry to Wilmington. Disturbance off Florida coast, probably will move northeast and cause strong northerly winds off Virginia and North Carolina coasts."

The weather forecast for today is for unsettled weather with probably snow.

SEVENTEEN SACKS OF CORN ARE TAKEN FROM BOX CAR

Officer Godwin Follows Trail and Lands Three Negroes in Jail.

Report was made yesterday morning by Special Officer Edmondson, of the Atlantic Coast Line, that a box car had been broken into while standing on the tracks between the A. C. L. freight warehouse and the Champion Compress and 17 sacks of corn stolen early in the day. County Officer H. Mack Godwin got busy following the trail and landed three negroes in jail on charges of being implicated in the robbery while a fourth, E. W. Burnett, a colored grocer, is under a bond of $500 on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

The car of corn was consigned to the Boney & Harper Milling Co., but had not yet been turned over to them. Some time between 7 and 8 o'clock yesterday morning, 17 sacks of it was carried away. Officer Godwin first found that circumstances pointed towards the delivery of the corn to Burnett's store at Seventh and Red Cross streets by Walter Medway, a colored drayman. Medway was lodged in jail in default of bond in the sum of $200 on charges of car breaking and larceny.

Prayer Aiken, colored, who had charge of the store, told Officer Godwin that three sacks of corn had been emptied there and R. J. Pollock, who drives a delivery wagon for Burnett, informed the officer that he had unloaded six sacks of the corn in a feed house in the rear of Burnett's home on Seventh street between Red Cross and Walnut streets. Both these negroes were lodged in jail in default of $200 bond on charges of being implicated in the robbery of the store.

Officer Godwin is confident that he had located nine sacks of the corn and has the sacks as evidence but is uncertain as to the others. The negroes arrested are to be tried before Justice Harriss on Wednesday of this week.

TEACHERS ARE REMEMBERED

Rev. Dr. McClure and Rev. W. Marshall Craig Given Presents.

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure and Rev. W. Marshall Craig were pleasantly surprised by the members of the Y. M. C. A. Bible classes last evening when at the close of the regular weekly meeting, they were each given a token of remembrance for the Christmas season. Dr. McClure, teacher of the Senior class, was given a $5 gold-piece and Mr. Craig was presented with a handsome parlor light.

These classes will have no other meetings until the second Monday in January.

Ministerial Association Meets.

The regular weekly meeting of the Wilmington Ministerial Association was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. Rev. F. B. Clausen, president of the organization, presided. Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, read an interesting paper which was discussed informally.

Gay Paris.

Being entertained by the "Dancing Castles," in "The Whirl of Life," Victoria Friday and Saturday.
(Advertisement.)

TOBACCO FARMERS' PROBLEM

Col. John S. Cunningham Gives Out Interview on Agricultural Conditions in This State.

"Business conditions are good among the farmers of North Carolina, who are practicing rotation and diversification of crops," said Col. John S. Cunningham, who is here in connection with the United States Agricultural Department's bureau of crop estimates. "I have traveled pretty well over the State the past few weeks," he continued, "and find this especialyy true where they raise a wide variety of the things needed at home and a money crop on the side.

"In some counties the farmers grow peanuts, tobacco and cotton as a money crop, in addition to wheat, corn, oats, clover and grasses. One farmer, I met, not only raises these crops, but in addition has 200 hogs.

"I agree with Hon. D. Y. Cooper, of Henderson, who gave out an interview a short time ago, urging farmers to be careful to save their farm manure, as the outlook is for high prices for commercial fertilizers. Farmers became heavily incumbered in 1914, as they raised their crops in an expensive manner, using much more commercial fertilizer than ever before. The bright leaf tobacco crop was very inferior in some sections, where the farmers had given little attention to their grain crops, the prices of which were raised on account of the war. Cotton also sold for a small price. Although the prices were better this year and more grain crops were raised for supplies than they have had for some time, still they are unable to pay off their obligations.

"Congressman Lever, chairman of the agricultural committee of the House in the United States Congress, is to call for an investigation of the prices of nitrate of soda and acid potash," says Colonel Cunningham. "He regards it of serious importance to the farmers of the South. He will make an effort to ascertain, if the higher price which will be charged for commercial fertilizer the coming season is due to natural causes, or to a combination of those who handle these ingredients.

"There is not any ingredient so necessary to the production of yellow tobacco as potash. Many of the farmers, who live in the bright tobacco section, believe they failed to grow a bright crop this year from the reason that the potash was not up to the standard, and they fear that it will be the same next year unless the war in Europe should close in time to get the grade of potash suitable for making fine tobacco.

"I have never in my life seen the farmers in the tobacco belt so much aroused and stirred up as they are at the present time over the potash situation."

Colonel Cunningham, who is a warm friend and admirer of Judge Rountree, of this city, speaking of his touring the State in the interest of the United States Agricultural Department, says there is general regret expressed that Judge Rountree has seen fit to leave the bench, which is not expressed as a reflection upon his honored successor. Judge Rountree is widely known throughout the State as one of North Carolina's ablest lawyers.

"As a gentleman remarked to me a short time ago," Colonel Cunningham continued, "he is not only a profound lawyer, but a gentleman of fine common sense and he brought to the bench the same splendid talents which were the characteristics of Ruffin and Nash. All of us wish for him continued success in the practice of law."

Colonel Cunningham is a guest at The Orton where he makes occasional visits. He is always welcomed in Wilmington.

TWO AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS.

Mr. L. O. Smith Collides With Mint-Cola Truck—Mr. Justice Hurt.

Two automobile accidents were reported last night, one being at Fifth and Red Cross streets and the other at Fifth and Chestnut streets. Mr. I. B. Justice was riding a bicycle at Fifth and Red Cross when he was run into by Mr. L. O. Smith, who was in an automobile, and was rather badly bruised up, according to reports to the police.

Mr. C. D. Gilbert, who was in an automobile, collided with an automobile truck of the Mint-Cola Company at Fifth and Chestnut streets about 8:30 o'clock. Both machines were damaged considerably and a son of Mr. Gilbert was hurt, but not seriously.

W. L. I. INSPECTION POSTPONED.

Captain Bailey Has Letter from Captain Grieg, Naming January 11.

Capt. E. F. Bailey, of Company C, Coast Artillery Reserves, has received a letter from Captain Grieg, U. S. A., assigned to the National Guard service, stating that the semi-annual artillery inspection, which was to have been held today, has been postponed until next January 11th, because Captain Grieg was unable to be here at this time.

The company is arranging to entertain Captain Grieg upon his arrival about three weeks from now, and expects to make its usual high standing.

Motorman Has Arm Broken.

Mr. T. W. Watts, a motorman for the Tidewater Power Company, had his arm fractured late yesterday afternoon when a car which he was running plunged into a freight car on the siding on Tenth street, between Dock and Orange. The front of the car was smashed up considerably by the impact. Mr. Watts was taken to the James Walker Memorial Hospital and was reported last night as resting comfortably. The motorman was taking the car out from the car barns for his regular run. It was stated that the siding was due to be open and the cause of the unfortunate accident was not determined.

PERSONALS.

—Mr. S. Garriss Moore returned yesterday from Greensboro, where he spent the week-end with friends.

—Mr. C. F. Gregson, of Hamlet, has returned home after spending a few days with his sons, Messrs. C. F. and W. D. Gregson.

—Messrs. Franklin Smith and H. K. Nash, who are engaged in business in West Green, Ga., are spending the holidays in the city with their people.

—Mr. H. K. Nash, Jr., has returned to the city from West Green, Ga., where he has been located for some time, to spend a short while at home during the holidays.

—Mr. J. F. Woolvin, Jr., who is a student in Porter Military Academy at Charleston, S. C., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Woolvin.

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PLAN FOR FREE SITES GIVEN ENDORSEMENT

Executive Committee of the Chamber Enthused.

First Official Action on Mr. MacRae's Manufacturing Proposal—Committee Named—Co-operation Assured.

Endorsing the general plan of Mr. Hugh MacRae's proposition to give free sites to worthy industries as a stimulus to increased manufacturing for Wilmington and as a means of bringing about a more helpful co-operative spirit in the community, the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, in special meeting yesterday, unanimously went on record in this important matter and referred same to the Manufacturers' and Business Enterprises committee for immediate consideration.

President Hall presided at the meeting and Messrs. J. L. Sprunt, J. VanB. Metts, C. VanLeuven and W. D. MacMillan, Jr., were in attendance. Mr. MacRae's proposition, as recently outlined to the business men of the community, has created a great deal of interest and enthusiasm, largely due to the fact that the city has long needed some constructive plan and co-operative method to attract manufacturing. It is generally agreed that any plan that will bring manufacturing to Wilmington is a good one, but the one proposed in every sense is considered to great merit and therefore has been received with the interest it deserves.

Further action of the Chamber of Commerce in regard to the matter, other than the general endorsement, was deferred for consideration of the Manufacturers and Business Enterprises committee to present for further endorsement of the organization at the January meeting, or probably a special meeting which could be arranged for this report. The endorsement of the committee yesterday was the first official public action taken in this matter. It has been asserted that probably more than half of the inquiries received in Wilmington in reference to manufacturing and establishment of new industries it is asked what concessions this community can offer as compared with others that have a fixed policy of giving certain inducements to manufacturing.

Mr. MacRae Names Committee.

Coincident to the endorsement of the plan by the Executive Committee of the Chamber, Mr. MacRae yesterday named the committee of Wilmington business men to assist him in working out the details to develop the 500-acre tract recently purchased in East Wilmington by the Tidewater Power Company, in accordance with the action of the meeting of citizens which was held last Wednesday afternoon. The proposed joint promoters are the city, county, Tidewater Power Company and the citizens of Wilmington.

In naming the committee, Mr. MacRae stated that he had endeavored to name persons representing all the various business activities of Wilmington. A meeting of the committee will be held some time this week and will decide upon methods of financing and controlling the proposition for building up an industrial center. The committee will make a report at another meeting of citizens which will probably not be held until after the Christmas holidays as it will take some time to get all the details of the plan worked out.

The committee is composed of the following citizens: Messrs. William Gilchrist, Sam Bear, Jr., J. O. Carr, Esq., J. H. Rehder, Roger Moore, J. B. Rice, J. M. Solky, J. G. L. Gieschen, Louis E. Hall, M. S. Willard, James H. Cowan, E. T. Taylor, H. E. Longley, J. Holmes Davis, Joseph E. Thompson, J. V. Grainger, Dr. C. P. Bolles, Robert Ruark, Esq., Thomas E. Cooper, W. D. McCaig, J. S. Williams, J. Allan Taylor, Graham Kenan, Esq., L. W. Moore, J. L. Williams, M. F. H. Gouverneur.

WESLEY BLAND GOES TO ROADS.

Young Negro Sentenced on Two Charges—Booze Causes Other Offenses.

Westley Bland, colored, drew a sentence of four months to the county roads yesterday in the Recorder's court, being sentenced 60 days each in two different cases. Bland was tried several days ago on charges of assault with deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapon. Sentence was not pronounced until yesterday.

All the other cases were related to "Tempter Booze", whose season is usually at its height about Christmas. Two parties, reputed to be well known to the police for having been connected with similar offenses, have had their wings clipped for this festival season. They are Maggie Bentley, white, and Mollie Spicer, colored, who were arrested Saturday night on charges of selling liquor. Whether the evidence proves strong enough to convict them or not, they are at least temporarily deprived of their liberty for they are both in jail in default of bond. They were given hearings yesterday and returned to jail to await trial Wednesday.

There were several drunks tried yesterday. Two cases were continued, while costs were exacted in three others.

DORVA-DELEON COMPANY.

Will Present Varied Programme of Music at Boys' Brigade.

To meet the demands of the modern lyceum course requires attractions of exceptional merit. The Alkahest Bureau feels that the demand is fully met by the Dorva-Deleon Company, which will give a varied programme at the Boys' Brigade tomorrow night. As one writer expresses it, these entertainers have "the charm of the unusual."

The company is composed of four people, all of whom are said to be real artists in their chosen lines. Madame Claire Dorva is an operatic soprano and instrumentalist, playing a variety of instruments. Prof. V. DeLeon is an instrumentalist of renown, using many of the unusual instruments, such as the mandolin, banjo, lute and others; Wesley C. Lockhart is a pianist, accompanist and pianologist, and Miss Elizabeth Lorraine Beattie is a reader who presents original bits of work in a most artistic manner. The combinations offered in the programme are practically unlimited.

Reserved seats will be on sale at Munson's tomorrow from 8 to 6 o'clock.

The Million Dollar Feet.

Of the Castles to entertain Wilmington in "The Whirl of Life." Victoria Friday and Saturday.—Advertisement.

CONTEST CLOSES THURSDAY

North Carolina Sorosis Will Give Entertainment at Victoria Theatre Friday Morning.

Three more voting days remain to the contestants for the beautiful bungalow presented to Sorosis by the Clark-Lynch Lumber Company. The children of Wilmington and those working for them begin to feel the excitement of the campaign, and the Sorosis is gratified at the results being reaped by the club.

The climax will be reached when the result is finally announced at the Victoria theatre at the children's entertainment to be given by the Sorosis on Friday morning from 11 to 1 o'clock. A second prize of $20 will be given as a consolation to the child nearest the goal, and several other prizes to those who lead with the next highest votes.

All children, whether directly interested in this contest or not, will find the entertainment at the Victoria of real Christmas interest. The theatre has been given over to the Sorosis for the two hours mentioned, and the programme has been arranged by the Sorosis committee in charge.

The first number on the programme will be an overture by members of the High School orchestra. Then there will be presented a cartoon picture to be followed by an amusing story by Mrs. Winifred Sackville Stoner, called "Santa Claus and Father Bear."

The next picture will be "The Night Before Christmas." This will be of particular interest to the smallest children. The orchestra will play again, followed by Miss Rachel Pearsall who will appear in costume and give several short Christmas skits which will be sure to please.

The next will be a two-reel picture presenting the story of Cinderella. Following this the judges will announce the winner of the bungalow and present the other prizes.

The judges, Col. Walker Taylor, Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., and Mr. F. G. Cover, have been counting the votes each week and have kindly consented to carry out the above programme for the ladies. The price of admission will be within the reach of all children of Wilmington.

The bungalow, a deed for which is to be presented at the theatre, will be hauled to the home of the lucky winner during the afternoon to be ready for any Christmas celebration which the little winner may plan for the following day.

As is well known, the tiny house is a prize winner itself, having received the first prize at the recent "Made-in-Wilmington" parade which the Rotary Club presented during the week of the Corn Show. This prize, which was $15 in money, was also given to the Sorosis by the Clark-Lynch Lumber Company. It forms a part of the second prize of the bungalow contest.

The beautiful little house has had its electric lights burning every night since the beginning of the contest. The fixtures are a part of the house and add their touch to its completeness. In addition the diminutive building has hard wood floors, tinted walls, perfect little windows with tiny window shades, and furniture in keeping with its size.

MR. E. M. WILLIAMS PROMOTED

Former Wilmingtonian Made Vice President of Southern Express.

Mr. E. M. Williams, formerly of Wilmington, was made vice president of the Southern Express Company at a meeting of the board of directors, in New York city, on Thursday of last week.

Mr. Williams has many friends here who are glad to see him continue to go up, but they are not surprised, for his genuine worth was known when he was here. He has held many important offices in the company and has made good in each one. He had recently been second vice president, and upon the recent death of Mr. C. L. Loop, the first vice president, the two offices were combined and put in the hands of Mr. Williams.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. Earl Norwood Page has gone to Monticello, Ga., where she will spend the holidays with relatives.

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Dr. A. G. Fechtig, of the house staff at the Polyclinic Hospital, is spending the holidays here with his parents.

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Mrs. James E. Womack, of Augusta, Ga., has arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson.

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Miss Emmie Belle LeGwin and Miss Louise Sholar have returned to the city, after spending the week-end with friends at Maxton.

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Friends of Mrs. J. F. Leitner will regret to know that she has been called to Harlem, Ga., on account of illness in her family.

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Miss Allie M. Fechtig has returned from Hollins College, where she is a student, and will spend the holidays with her parents here.

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Mrs. L. M. Swink and daughter, Miss Mary Catherine, of Winston-Salem, are visiting Mrs. Swink's brother, Dr. J. H. Dreher, No. 807 Princess street.

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Master John Daniel Lucas, son of Col. and Mrs. E. W. VanC. Lucas, of Connecticutt, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. W. P. O'Neill, on South Third street.

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There were 863 Red Cross seals sold yesterday at the Postoffice booth. Chaperones for today are Mrs. L. Bluethenthal and Mrs. W. G. Hull.

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Miss M. A. Rutland arrived yesterday on the Clyde Line steamer Cherokee from New York, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rutland, No. 306 Orange street.

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Mr. Donald Parsley has returned from Washington, D. C., where he has been attending school. Mr. Parsley will spend the holidays at home on Masonboro Sound.

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In honor of their daughter, Miss Jennie Gilchrist, who is one of the seasons debutantes, Mr. and Mrs. William Gilchrist will give a dance this evening at tht Boys' Brigade.

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Mr. G. W. Smith is at home from the University for the holidays which he will spend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, No. 107 North Sixth street.

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Rev. O. T. Mattox, pastor of Fourth Street Advent Christian church, has gone to Jacksonville, Fla., on account of the illness of his daughter. Mrs. Mattox has been there several days.

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Miss Mary Woolvin has returned home from Washington, D. C., where she has been attending the National School of Domestic Arts and Science, to spend the holidays with her parents.

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Mr. Edward Hanson has returned from Raleigh where he has been a student at A. & M. College. He will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hanson, on South Front street.

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Miss Carrie Blount, of Atlanta, Ga., is the attractive guest of Miss Florence Taylor, at her home, No. 218 South Fourth street. Miss Blount was one of the most attractive and popular visitors at Wrightsville Beach during the past summer.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Sparks, who have been spending their honeymoon in Georgia, are here to spend the holidays with the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robbins, on West Queen street. They will leave in a few days for their future home in Elizabethtown, N. C.

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The programme to have been given this evening at Fifth Avenue Methodist church by the Sunday school and Epworth League, has been postponed on account of the bad weather. The programme is already prepared and will be given on a date announced later.

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An item in Sunday's Raleigh News and Observer stated that Rev. J. C. Wooten, who is pleasantly remembered in Wilmington as a former pastor of Grace Methodist church and more recently was pastor of Edenton Street church in Raleigh, has moved his family to Durham, where he has been appointed presiding eldtr of the Durham district.

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Rev. Roland Louis Luerich, of Pennsylvania, and Miss May Wallace Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virginius Hall, are to be married this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in Grace Methodist church. Following the rehearsal at the church last evening, the members of the bridal party and a few friends were entertained at the home of the bride's parents, No. 413 North Fifth avenue.

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Mr. George P. Russell, formerly of this city, but now of New York city, has arrived in the city to claim for his bride, Miss Eleanor L. Bessellieu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Bessellieu, the marriage to take place this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the First Baptist church. Mr. Russell is well known here, and has been for the past several months been employed in the general offices of the D. L. & W. R. R., in New York.

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TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT AT LANSVALE ON NEW YEAR'S

The Lansvale and Town Creek Dramatic club will present on the evening of January 1 in the auditorium at Lansvale, a two-act farce drama, entitled "Not a Man in the House." Well known local talent is included in the cast which is as follows:

Mrs. Brings—Miss B. McKeithan.
Kate, a Servant—Miss Bessie Bellamy.
Janie Ray, a niece of Mrs. Brings—Miss Lizzie Frank Cannon.
Lucy—Rhyder—Mrs. H. Cannon.
Aunt Bolinda—Miss E. C. Woodberry.

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DR. SIDBURY WILL MARRY MISS DANIEL OF COLUMBIA.

Friends here will be interested in the approaching wedding of Dr. J. Buren Sidbury, a popular young physician of this city, and Miss Willie Wellington Daniel, of the faculty of Columbia College, at Columbia, S. C., the wedding to take place at 3:30 o'clock on the afternoon of January 1st, in the college parlors.

Dr. Sidbury is of a prominent North Carolina family. He was educated at Trinity College, where he received the A. M. degree and specialized in his profession in hospitals in New York City. After graduating in medicine from Columbia University. Miss Daniel is the eldest daughter of President and Mrs. W. W. Daniels, of Columbia College, where she has spent most of her life, except when in Columbia University of New York, where she received the M. A. degree and had practically earned the Ph.D. degree.

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PRETTY CHURCH WEDDING CELEBRATED AT CHADBOURN

Chadbourn, N. C., Dec. 20.—The marriage in Chadbourn of Miss Floy Lewis to Mr. Schaffer Herring Parker, on Saturday, December 11th, was of interest to friends throughout this section. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. T. Wooten, of Piney Forest church, which was beautifully decorated in bamboo and ferns, and was lighted by candles.

Just before the ceremony, Mrs. C. G. Van Landingham played "To Spring," by Gregg, then a quartette composed of Misses Gladys McDonald, Ina Mallett, Gladys Brown and Orpha Koonce sang "Schubert's Serenade."

As the strains of the "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin were heard the doors were opened and the bridal party entered.

Messrs. A. W. Lewis and Claude Shelton followed by Messrs. W. T. Sprott and S. W. Johnson, ushers. Then came the ring bearer, little Miss Louise Sprott, niece of the bride, carrying the ring in a white lily, followed by the flower girls; Gertrude Coultas and Elizabeth Wooten, carrying heart shaped baskets filled with sweet peas. The maid of honor, Miss Inez Wilkes, came next, wearing green taffeta and carrying a bouquet of white roses.

The bride entered on the arm of her brother, W. F. Lewis, of Augusta, Ga., and was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. N. J. Parker, of Florence, S. C.

The bride was dressed in a traveling dress of blue broadcloth and carried brides roses and lilies of the valley.

During the ceremony Mrs. Landingham softly played "To a Wild Rose."

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left on the evening train for Florida and Cuba where they will spend their honeymoon. They will be at home after January 1st at Chadbourn.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Lidia Allen, colored, was arrested yesterday by County Officer H. Mack Godwin, on charge of slander of another negro woman. She will get a hearing tomorrow before Justice Harriss.

—All dealers handling fireworks are required to pay a special license tax and Sheriff Cowan requests that these be paid in today, so as to save him the trouble of going after it.

—Suit for divorce was instituted in Superior Court yesterday by William M. Faison, colored, from his wife, Florence Faison. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., represents the plaintiff in the action.

—Mr. Thomas Conlon, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday on the Clyde Line steamer Cherokee to take a position with the Southern Sign Shop, of which Mr. J. M. Satchwell is proprietor.

—County Farm Demonstrator J. P. Herring, while driving a Flanders automobile, collided yesterday afternoon at the corner of Front and Market streets with a jitney bus, and fortunately little damage was done.

—Dr. W. P. Reeve, local agent of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co., who recently located here, and Mr. F. W. Fletcher were elected members of the Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the executive committee yesterday.

—Messrs. C. E. Clark and Sol. Sternberger have acquired a part of the property of the Hanby estate, located on Market street near Fourteenth, at an approximate cost of $4,000. It is their intention to improve the property.

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And everywhere, in "The Whirl of Life," Victoria Friday and Saturday.
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BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR BIG CHRISTMAS TRADE

Holiday Shoppers are Thronging Wilmington Stores

Merchants and Bankers Report That Business is Much Improved This Year—Many Out-of-Town Shoppers In City.

With but four more shopping days including today in which to make purchases for Christmas, Wilmington is putting on Christmas airs in every department. Stores of every class were thronged yesterday with men, women and children—all intently interested in getting just the right kind of gift for friends, relatives and acquaintances. To say that business is much better than last Christmas would only be stating a fact that everybody knows.

There are many out-of-town shoppers in the city, showing that prosperity is general. There has as yet been no spasmodic rush but the busy throng of shoppers yesterday furnished evidence that the time-honored advice to shop early is being heeded.

This will be the hardest week of the year for the retail merchant but he is not complaining on this account. The stores will be open until late at night and they will open on schedule time every morning. During the day the crowds will pack and jam, but the Christmas spirit is in evidence and all are happy.

The stores have put on holiday airs and the many beautifully decorated show windows have attracted much attention. And there are many real artistic windows. They are splendid advertisements for the stores. They carry the Christmas message from the commercial world and many stop to admire them.

Inside the stores, everything has been made spick and span and all around are scattered vast arrays of Christmas goods of many kinds. The shopper will be able to find most anything wanted by visiting Wilmington stores, for large and varied stocks have been purchased.

That money is much more plentiful than last year is shown by the disposition of shoppers to buy more of that class of goods commonly classed as luxuries. Especially notable has been the good trade enjoyed by the jewelry stores. Wilmington jewelers state that their trade throughout December has been much better than last year. They are well prepared to take care of all needs.

Bankers state that deposits have greatly increased during the year and while naturally there will be a decrease during the holidays, this money will pass into the hands of the merchants and will come back again, so that the bankers do not complain. They are just as much pleased as anybody to see the better times.

There is a general spirit of optimism. Not all the grumblers have disappeared but they are in the minority this year. Cotton bringing better prices has had its effect in every line of business and while it cannot be properly classed as a wave of prosperity, the better times has a substantial foundation and will continue after the holidays.

UNDERWRITERS OF CORN SHOW PAY 30 PER CENT.

Finance Committee Has Summed Up Total Expenses of Recent Fair.

The underwriters of the Wilmington Corn and Agricultural Show will have to pay only 30 per cent of the amount pledged by them to the support of the undertaking. The total amount subscribed was $1,650 and 30 per cent of this amount is $489, two-thirds of which has already been paid over to the finance committee. This committee has mailed a letter to all the merchants and citizens who subscribed to the fund. Attention is called in the letter which is signed by Col. J. VanB. Metts, chairman of the committee, to the importance of making up a prize list early next year for the fair in 1916 in order that it be given as wide publicity as possible.

In the letter are figures of the receipts and expenses of the Corn Show which were most gratifying. The receipts were as follows: Gate receipts, $1,409.55; space selling privileges, cash donations, prizes, etc., $369.05; prizes from State of North Carolina, $53.50; donations from city and county, $300; miscellaneous items, $56. Total $2,188.10.

The expenses are apportioned as follows: Prizes, $451; advertising $146.68; tents, rent, erection, etc., $307.50; lumber, labor, police, etc., $754.53; music, $195.75; signs, decorations, Sorosis, plumbing, wiring, expense of storm, etc., postage, miscellaneous, $750.16. Total, $2,596.62, making an apparent deficit of about $408.52. There may be a few additional bills to come in.

FUNERAL OF MR. HARDWICK

Impressive Service Held From Residence Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Mr. John Hardwick, whose death occurred Saturday at the A. C. L. Hospital at Rocky Mount, was conducted from the residence, No. 10 Castle street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Interment was in Oakdale cemetery where a large number of beautiful floral offerings were an attest to the high esteem in which he was held.

The pallbearers were Messrs. G. W. Cole, F. King, W. E. Davis, George T. Hewlett, E. R. Rhue and Ex-Mayor J. D. Smith.

FUNERAL OF MRS. EINSTEIN

Prominent Aged Lady Will Be Funeralized This Morning.

The funeral of Mrs. Rachel Einstein, whose death occurred Sunday night about 12 o'clock at the Colonial Apartments, where she lived with her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Dreyfuss, will be conducted this morning from the Temple of Israel by Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn, rabbi of the Temple of Israel. The remains will be interred in Oakdale cemetery.

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FINE PIECE OF ADVERTISING

Chamber of Commerce and Banks Co-Operate to Get Out Attractive Booklet—Fifty Photographs.

Probably the most attractive and comprehensive booklet issued in several years in Wilmington, which contains fifty photographs, including panoramic pictures, business buildings, beach and good roads views and general scenes of interest, has been issued by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce in co-operation with the banks of the city and will be widely distributed over the country.

The work was done by the Albertype Company, of Brooklyn, N. Y., master printers in photo-gravures, who own this popular process of printing and furnished Wilmington a book unique and interesting in every particular. In addition to the pictures the book contains a commercial summary and historical sketch, which is not only concise and readable information, but is an interesting and important feature of this fine piece of work.

The book issued by the Albertype Company for Wilmington in 1901 was a most artistic piece of work and its general distribution, it is understood, attracted many inquiries to this section. The cover design on the new book is that of a general harbor view with the business buildings looming up in the distance and the picture of a crowded veranda at Lumina on a summer day.

A summary of the photographs found in this book, which were taken and reproduced by a representative of the Albertype Company, are as follows: Postoffice park and business buildings, James Walker Memorial Hospital, N. S. Marine Hospital, Cape Fear Club, Court House, North Front street, banks of the city, schools of Wilmington, South Front street and harbor, Wilmington residential sections, Wilmington churches, harbor views, Clyde Steamship terminals and Tidewater Power Co., plant, summer scenes at Wrightsville Beach, typical growing crop scenes of this section, good roads in New Hanover and panoramic view from Murchison Building, showing residential section.

SALVATION ARMY TO GIVE A BIG CHRISTMAS TREE.

Many Calls for Needy Are Being Received—Clothes and Blankets.

The Salvation Army will give its big Christmas tree Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock and it is expected that more than 300 children will be provided with toys, clothing and other articles besides a lot of good things to eat. An interesting programme of songs and recitations will be given preceding the distribution of the presents.

Adjutant and Mrs. Mataxas have been gratified with the cordial response that has been made to their appeal for funds and supplies for the Christmas celebration for the needy children of the city, but state that they are still in need of more money and other things in order to provide for all the children.

Adjutant Mataxas states that he has found several families in the city in need of food and also without sufficient blankets to keep them warm at night. He has furnished them with food but hasn't the blankets. He appeals to the citizens of the city to help in this work. Donations of clothing, shoes, blankets and other articles can all be used in helping needy families.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: B. H. Marshall and wife to D. C. DeVane, for $1,800 and other considerations, lot on south side of Orange street, 41 1-4 feet west of Ninth, 41 1-4 by 110 feet in size; Hugh MacRae & Co., to Mrs. Julia Parsley Peschau, for $10 and other considerations, lots 462, 463 and 464 at Audubon.

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YOUR will power may be strong—but how weak it is in fighting the desire for drugs! The strongest wills have found this true. Step by step the victim is driven to moral and physical breakdown. Attemps to break off the habit generally result only in intense suffering.

But the drug addiction can be *cured*. Four weeks of the Keeley Treatment as given at Greensboro, N. C., will destroy the desire and necessity for drugs—and without any confinement, sickness or humiliation. And at Greensboro there is an individuality behind the Treatment that is responsible in a large measure for its success.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

LITTLE CHANGE IN COTTON

Market Comparatively Quiet With Fluctuations Irregular—Gains of Only 3 to 11 Points.

New York, Dec. 20.—The cotton market was comparatively quiet today and fluctuations were irregular. March sold at 12.30 at the opening but soon eased off to 12.18 and closed at 12.20 with the general list closing steady at a net advance of 3 to 11 points. Late months were relatively firm, most of the present crop deliveries showing final gains of only 3 to 5 points.

Firmness in Liverpool and private cables reporting very small offerings of actual to the English trade appeared to stimulate the covering movement in progress here at the close of last week. The market opened firm 3 to 16 points up in consequence with January at 12.00, May at 12.56 and July at 12.69 on or immediately following the call. This made an advance of about 30 to 35 points from the low level of last Friday which was evidently sufficient to attract realizing on the part of recent buyers for a reaction. It seemed, too, that the improvement was running the market into increased selling by houses with Memphis and New Orleans connections while notwithstanding the strength abroad, Liverpool had very few buying orders here and prices soon turned easier. After reacting to within 3 or 4 points of Saturday's final figures the selling tapered off and subsequent fluctuations were narro wand irregular. January sold as low as 11.89 while May touched 12.43 and July 12.56 with the close showing rallies of only a point or two from the lowest. New Orleans was a seller here late in the day and the offerings may have been promoted by the easier tone of the New Orleans spot market. Other Southern spot markets were steady to a little higher and while there was talk of a little Southern hedge selling here during the afternoon, bearish sentiment seemed to be more importantly based on the small export movement. The census report showing 10,303,253 bales ginned was about in line with expectations. Business in fact, was considered largely in the way of evening up for over the holidays.

Futures closed steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
January	11.90	12.00	11.89	11.92
March	12.25	12.30	12.18	12.20
May	12.53	12.56	12.43	12.44
July	12.67	12.69	12.56	12.57
October	12.38	12.41	12.30	12.35

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 12.10; sales 100 bales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 11.69; receipts, 10,003; exports, 1,566; sales, 230; stock, 390,078.

Galveston—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 11,069; sales, 325; stock, 335,662.

Mobile—Middling, 11.50; receipts, 126; stock, 28,349.

Savannah—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 2,852; sales, 451; stock, 227,645.

Charleston—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 727; stock, 109,120.

Wilmington—Receipts, 549; stock, 51,377.

Norfolk — Middling, 11.38; receipts, 4,902; sales, 713; stock, 130,652.

Baltimore—Stock, 5,830.

Boston — Middling, 12.05; receipts, 236; exports, 1,534; stock, 10,700.

Philadelphia — Middling, 12.35; receipts, 50; stock, 3,433.

New York—Middling, 12.10; receipts, 53; sales, 300; stock, 316,250.

Minor Ports—Stock, 54,429.

Total today — Receipts, 30,567; exports, 3,100; stock, 1,663,565.

Total for week—Receipts, 62,059; exports, 20,221.

Total for season—Receipts, 3,796,605; exports, 2,123,918.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 12.05; receipts, 22,626; shipments, 19,606; sales, 1,047; stock, 235,174.

Memphis — Middling, 12.12; receipts, 8,649; shipments, 4,536; sales, 1,900; stock, 337,478.

Augusta — Middling, 11.50; receipts, 1,903; shipments, 1,170; sales, 550; stock, 207,852.

St. Louis — Middling, 12¼; receipts, 1,208; shipments, 1,368; stock, 14,590.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,406; shipments, 1,580; stock, 20,545.

Little Rock—Middling, 12.13; receipts, 1,609; shipments, 1,444; sales, 1,444; stock, 46,876.

Dallas—Middling, 11.50.

Montgomery—Middling, 11.50; sales, 1,589.

Total today—Receipts, 37,501; shipments, 29,644; stock, 862,515.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 20. — Cotton, spot, steady; good middling, 7.85; middling, 7.50; low middling, 7.06; sales, 10,000; for speculation and export, 1,000. Receipts, 1,000. Futures, steady. December, 7.35½; December-January, 7.35½; January-February, 7.35½; February-March, 7.34; March-April, 7.33; April-May, 7.29; May-June, 7.26; June-July, 7.22 1-2; July-August, 7.19 3-4; August-September, 7.05½; September-October, 6.89½; October-November, 6.84½.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

After a Bulge Market Settles Down Into a Holiday Dullness.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—After a moderate bulge on the opening the local cotton market settled down into holiday dullness today, and closed at a net gain of 1 to 6 points. During the greater part of the session prices were at a net advance of about half a dozen points. Upward movements were met by short selling.

In the early trading prices rose 13 to 14 points on buying based on the bullish ginning returns. The total of 10,303,253 bales to December 13 was smaller than generally expected and the claim was made by the long side that the small crop estimate recently made by the government had been confirmed.

The buying movement did not last long. Increased offerings met the advance and it was quickly pared down to three to four points. In the afternoon the market became unsettled after the posting of spot quotations, showing a loss of an eighth of a cent a pound.

Cotton closed steady. Closing bids: January 11.75; March 12.09; May 12.35; July 12.49; October 12.21.

Spot quiet 12 points down. Sales on the spot 130 to arrive 100; middling 11.69.

Parisian Splendor

In gay cafe scenes in "The Whirl of Life," starring the Castles, Victoria, Friday and Saturday.—Advertisement.

NEW HIGH PRICES FOR WHEAT

Immense Export Trade Sends Market to Highest Ground for 1915 Crop So Far—Closes Strong.

Chicago, Dec. 20 — Wheat today mounted to the highest price so far on the 1915 crop. An immense export trade was in progress and the market closed strong, 1⅞ to 3¼ net higher, with December at 121 and May at 1.22⅛. Corn finished unchanged to ¼ higher; oats up ⅛@⅜@¼ to ¼, and provisions varying from 12½ decline to a rise of 15c.

Grain and provisions close:

Wheat—December, 1.21; May, 1.22½.

Corn—December, 69¾; May, 73⅛.

Oats—December, 41⅝; May, 45⅛.

Pork—January, 18.72; May, 18.77.

Lard—January, 9.67; May, 10.00.

Ribs—January, 9.85; May, 10.25.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.20½@1.22; No. 3, red, 1.12@1.18; No. 2, hard, 1.19@1.20; No. 3, hard, 1 12⅞@1.14.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 66@67¾; No. 4, white, 65½@6 ⅝.

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 20.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.20-9c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotation same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal. Rosin, nominal. Tar, $2.00-8 1-2c. Crude Turpentine, firm, $3.25, $3.25, $3.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine 8

Rosin .. .. .191

Tar .. .. .145

Crude Turpentine .. .. .166

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 616 casks; rosin, 81 barrels; tar, 1 barrel; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11¼c Quotations same day last year, 7c.

Receipts—549 bales; same day last year, 2,594 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 134,433 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 87,635 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Wilmington, Dec. 20.

Atlantic Coast Line—475 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 6 barrels rosin; 86 barrels tar; 21 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—74 bales cotton.

Str. Thelma—145 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Lathrop—7 casks spirits turpentine; 32 barrels rosin; 6 barrels tar.

A. P. Hurt—153 barrels rosin; 53 barrels tar.

Total—549 bales cotton; 8 casks spirits turpentine; 191 barrels rosin; 145 barrels tar; 166 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 20.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 40c. to 45c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—80c to 90c.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good demand.

PORK—Small, 10@11c. per pound.

SHEEP—Gross: Old sheep, 3@4c.; lambs, 8@5c. lb.

WOOL—Burry, 19 to 28c.; black wool, 17 to 20c; first class white wool, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c.; dry flint, 17@20c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb. Good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c.; spring, 20c to 35c. head. Geese, 55c. to 60c. per head. Ducks, 35c. to 60c. owing to quality. Turkeys, 15c to 18c. lb., alive; 20c to 22c., dressed.

EGGS—27c to 28c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 20.—North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market firm. Fancy hand-picked, 84c.; No. 1, machine picked, 77c. per bushel

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 66c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop firm; No. 1, small, machine-picked, $1.00; Jumbos, 90c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 20.—Spanish: Farmers' stock: Market, firm. New peanuts, dry and clean, $1.15 per bu.; new, green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock: New fancy Jumbo, 3½c. to 3¾c. per lb.; new, extra prime, 3¼c. per lb.; new prime, 3c. per lb.; new, shelling stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼; sterling sixty day bills, 4.68; demand, 4.7225; cables, 4.73; bar silver, 54⅝; Mexican dollars, 42. Time loans, easy Sixty days, 2¼@2½; ninety days, 2½@2¾; six months, 2¾@3. Money on call, steady. Ruling rate, 1¾; government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

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(advertisement.)

MEXICAN STOCKS ACTIVE

Interest Turns From European Affairs —Mexican Interests Make Some. Substantial Gains.

New York, Dec. 20.—Interest in today's market was transferred from European affairs to Mexico, shares of companies operating in that country, notably American Smelting and Mexican Petroleum, being the most prominent features, Smelting rose 3 1-4 to 103 1-4 and Mexican Petroleum 3 1-2 to 99 3-4. The activity of these stocks was naturally ascribed to the disintegration of the movement against the defacto government. Incidentally another advance in oil prices by the leading producers accounted for the strength of the oil stocks, Texas Company rising 6 1-2 to 237 with an extensive demand for California Petroleum common and preferred, as well as kindred issues on the "curb."

Other metal shares followed Smelting's lead in smaller degree and war stocks like Studebaker, Baldwin Locomotive, American Locomotive, Crucible Steel, New York Air Brake and American Can were intermittently higher by 1 to 3 points. Added to these were Mercantile Marine preferred, United Fruit, United States Industrial Alcohol and other issues of no particular description, with like gains.

American Tobacco was again weak on what was vaguely referred to as "liquidation by an estate" and General Motors fell 10 to 490 but recovered later. Peoples Gas was persistently heavy, losing 3 1-2 to 10 $1-2.

United States Steel rose 7-8 to 86 1-4, but lost much of its advantage in the final hour when realizing sales in Smelting and Petroleums caused general recessions. Rails were in steady request on a moderate scale.

Foreign Exchange reflected the more confidnt feeling in the foreign situation, marks stiffening perceptibly, with general firmness for all remittances. Selling of stcurities for London continued but the effect was not appreciable.

The features of the bond market which was otherwise rather irregular was he demand for Anglo-Frtnch fives at quotations ranging between 94 3-4 and 95. Total sales of bonds par value, aggregated $4,240,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

NE WYORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	31½
American Beet Sugar	70¾
American Can	59
American Car and Foundry	77¼
American Cities, pfd., ex. div	44½
American Cotton Oil	55¾
American Locomotive	68½
American Smelting	102
American Sugar	116
American Tel. and Tel	128½
American Tobacco	200
Anaconda Copper	86¼
Atchison	105¾
Atlantic Coast Line, ex. div	110
Baldwin Locomotive	116¾
Baltimore and Ohio	92½
Bethlehem Steel	474
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	88
Canadian Pacific	180¾
Central Leather	52½
Chesapeake and Ohio	61⅞
Chicago, Mil. and St Paul	93⅞
Chicago, R. I. and Pac Ry	16⅛
Consolidated Gas	144¾
Crucible Steel	73¼
Erie	42¼
General Electric	174
General Motors	494⅞
Great Northern, pfd	125½
Illinois Central	107
Interborough Consol. Corp	21⅝
Kansas City Southern	31½
Lehigh Valley	82
Louisville and Nashville	127½
Liggett and Myers	251
Lorillard Co	180
Missouri, Kan. and Tex, pfd	16¼
Mex. Petroleum	98⅜
National Lead	63¼
New York Central	105⅛
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	74⅜
Norfolk and Western	120⅜
Northern Pacific	116¼
Pennsylvania	58⅜
Reading	81⅛
Rep. Iron and Steel	54½
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	110¼
Seaboard Air Line	18¼
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	40
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	63
Studebaker Corporation	168¼
Southern Pacific	101
Southern Railway	23
Southern Railway, pfd	61
Tennessee Copper	57½
Texas Co	233½
Texas and Pacific	14½
Union Pacific	137
United States Rubber	54¼
United States Steel	85⅝
United States Steel, pfd	116¾
Utah Copper	78⅝
Virginia-Caro. Chem	46⅝
Western Union, ex. div	87¼
Westinghouse Electric	68¾
Great Northern Ore	48⅛
Va., I., C. and C	65
Wabash, B. W. I	29⅛
Missouri Pacific	4⅛
United Fruit	149½

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago, Dec. 20. — Hog.—Unsettled, lower, but closed strong. Bulk, 6.20@6.65; light, 5.95@6.55; mixed, 6.10@6.75; heavy, 6.25@6.80; rough, 6.25@6.35; pigs, 4.75@5.90.

Cattle—Weak. Native beef steers, 5.80@10.90; cows and heifers, 2.80@8.20; calves, 6.25@9.50.

Sheep—Steady. Wethers, 6.10@6.90; lambs, 6.90@9.60.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Dec. 20. — Raw sugar, firm; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.89; molasses, 4.12; refined, quiet.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Steady.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 7⅝; Santos, No. 4, 9 cents.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20. — Cotton goods and yarns were steady today, with a quieter tendency. Dress goods were firm but quiet. Raw silk was easier on canton grades.

Men with mothers and wives to protect—

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The BATTLE CRY of PEACE

THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 21, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 39 degrees; at 8 P. M., 33 degrees; maximum, 43 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .10 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .91 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 14.8 feet.

STORM WARNING.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Hoist northeast storm warning 10 P. M. Cape Henry to Wilmington. Disturbance off East Florida coast probably will move northeast and cause strong northerly winds off Virginia and North Carolina coasts. BOWIE.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Cloud west and probably snow east east portions Tuesday; Wednesday.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 21, 1915.

Sun rises .. .. .7:14 A. M.

Sun sets .. .. .5:07 P. M.

Day's length .. .. .9 hrs. 53 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	9:52	10:03	4:43	5:22
Southport	7:48	7:59	1:30	2:02
Masonboro Inl	7:37	7:48	1:10	1:42

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 20, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Tempernture: Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	clear	56	24	.0
Asheville	pt cldy	30	26	.0
Atlanta	clear	38	34	.0
Augusta	cldy	42	38	.02
Baltimore	cldy	36	..	.0
Birmingham	clear	44	34	.0
Boston	clear	38	30	.0
Charleston	snow	44	42	.94
Charlotte	cldy	38	34	.0
Chicago	cldy	22	8	.02
Galveston	clear	54	42	.0
Jaxville	rain	44	42	3.02
Memphis	clear	48	32	.0
Mobile	clear	50	42	.04
Montgomery	clear	46	42	.0
N. Orleans	clear	52	42	.08
New York	cldy	36	30	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	52	28	.0
Palestine	clear	56	36	.0
Pittsburg	snow	28	20	.01
Raleigh	cldy	44	34	.0
Savannah	snow	44	44	1.18
Shreveport	clear	56	34	.0
St. Louis	clear	42	28	.0
Washington	cldy	36	32	.0

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 20. — Turpentine, steady, 51; sales, none; receipts, 150; shipments, 9; stock, 22,666.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 1,088; receipts, 1,201; shipments, 78; stock, 105,333.

Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, 5.10; K, 5.75; M, 6.20; N, 6.75; W G, 7.00; W W, 7.25.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20. — The only feature of consequence in today's cotton seed oil market was the bidding of December up to 8.83 without locating a seller. The day's trading was light in volume, with outside interest lacking. Final prices were 25 points higher for December and 4 lower to 6 net higher for the balance. Sales, 7,800 barrels.

Closed firm. Spot, 8.40 bid; January, 8.40@8.42; February, 8.40@8.45; March, 8.40@8.41; April, 9.46@9.47; May, 8.49@9.50; June, 8.50@8.55; July, 8.59@8.61; December, 8.60@9.48.

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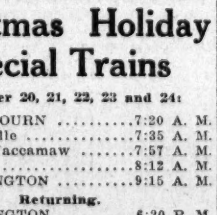

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Lv. CHADBOURN .. .. .7:20 A. M.

Lv. Whiteville .. .. .7:35 A. M.

Lv. Lake Waccamaw .. .. .. .7:57 A. M.

Lv. Bolton .. .. .8:12 A. M.

Ar. WILMINGTON .. .. .9:15 A. M.

Returning.

Lv. WILMINGTON .. .. .6:20 P. M.

Ar. CHADBOURN .. .. .8:15 P. M.

December 23, 24 and 25:

Lv. GOLDSBORO .. .. .10:25 P. M.

Lv. Mount Olive .. .. .11:01 P. M.

Lv. Warsaw .. .. .11:23 P. M.

Lv. Rose Hill .. .. .11:47 P. M.

Lv. Burgaw .. .. .12:27 A. M.

Ar. WILMINGTON .. .. 1:15 Night

Returning Dec. 24, 25 and 27.

Lv. WILMINGTON .. .. .3:40 A. M.

Ar. GOLDSBORO .. .. .6:38 A. M.

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DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 61. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia, and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to recieve outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M. and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 60. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Tues., Thurs and Sat. only.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. 6:05 P.M. Daily.
No. 51. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 59. 5:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 52. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. Pullman Cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 58. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. 9:50 A.M. Daily.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:45 P. M.
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c d2:35 P.M.	.....	.....	c d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:56 P. M.	3:46 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	c6:40 P. M.	7:31 P. M.	7:20 P. M.	f7:15 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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Raleigh Presbyterians Pledge $20,000 to Peace Institute

Others Asked to Raise $180,000 for Endowment—City Sells $75,000 Worth of Bonds at Good Premium—Notes.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—The congregation of the Presbyterian church here has adopted resolutions pledging $20,000 toward an endowment fund of $200,000 for Peace Institute and appealing to the Presbyterians and friends of the school throughout the State to raise the remaining $180,000. A campaign to raise the fund is to be launched at once. James R. Young, State Commissioner of Insurance, is chairman of the board of trustees.

The city of Raleigh sold today an issue of $49,921.98 improvement bonds and $26,916.52 assessment bonds for a total premium of $2,942.91, the purchaser being Citizens' National Bank of Frostburg, Md. There were 20 bidders, the second highest being C. T. McDonald, of Raleigh, who offered a total premium of $2,873.99.

Hearing in J. H. Johnson Case.

Governor Craig has extended to January 20th the respite in the case of J. H. Johnson, Cumberland county with the purpose of making a final order at that time, the intimation being that the road sentence will not be allowed to take effect. The order was made at the conclusion of a hearing today.

Governor Craig gave a special hearing to advocates and opponents of the proposed pardon or commutation for Johnson, the Cumberland county lawyer under sentence of three months on the roads for selling wine of his own make in 2 1-2 gallon quantities as the special Cumberland county statute permits instead of two-gallon quantities as the State prohibition law fixes the limit. Postmaster Underwood, Dr. J. W. McNeill and George McNeill advocated the pardon and V. C. Bullard, John A. Oates, Z. B. Newton opposed.

Mrs. Hand Gets Respite.

Governor Craig made an order today respiting to January 20 Mrs. George Hand, under sentence in Pender county, to serve two years for manslaughter, the respite being in order that the woman may have time to prepare a petition for pardon or commutation of sentence. The respite is declared by the Governor to be granted for the reason that, in passing on the case, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court took occasion to state that while the court affirms the judgment of the court below this might be a case in which executive clemency could be exercised.

President R. H. Wright, of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, announces the appointment of the committee on resolutions to report to the next annual session of the Assembly. The committee follows: E. C. Brooks, F. P. Harding, H. B. Smith, D. F. Giles, P. G. Long, F. P. Hall, J. H. Highsmith, I. C. Griffin and Miss Hattie Parrott.

Information comes to the State Department of Education that Miss Cherry, of Durham, has been appointed rural school supervisor in Harnett county. Much gratification is expressed at the steady growth of this phase of school promotion throughout the State, there being now rural school supervisors in Harnett, Northampton, Johnston, Alamance, Granville, Vance, Orange, Avery, Lenoir.

Dr. Pittinger Pessimistic.

Speaking on the subject of Christ's mission of "Peace on Earth" and his bringing of "The Sword of Truth and Righteousness," and not the sword of human warfare, Dr. I. McK. Pittinger, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, said Sunday morning that while Henry Ford and his party were on a most worthy mission in their peace crusade to Europe the movement seemed at a most inopportune time and at a time when it is in least accord with the conditions involving the American government.

Dr. Pittinger declared that there were never more warlike notes exchanged by any governments than are being exchanged by the government of this country and certain of the European governments now engaged in the war and that Mr. Ford's mission is clearly out of harmony with the Washington government and that the "Great Heart of the People" is with President Wilson and his European policy. The world, he declared, seemed engulfed in a "spirit of war" and none could venture a prediction as to when peace would be restored.

Soy Bean Industry Promising.

Just back from Elizabeth City, where he took a hand in demonstrations as to the extraction of the oil from the soy bean with cotton oil mill equipment, a new and most promising industry for this State, C. B. Williams, chief of the division of agronomy, of the experiment station and State Department of Agriculture, says the results were most gratifying and that the liveliest interest was manifested by cotton oil mill men and by growers of soy beans, who brought many tons of the beans to be crushed, providing them on the profitable basis of $1 per bushel to the mill. Mr. Williams said that since 7 o'clock last Monday morning, the mill has been running exclusively, night and day, on soy beans. It is planned to continue the run until Christmas or later, if beans at the above price can be secured.

In this particular case, where an Anderson expeller is used, there was practically no labor nor expense attached to the change from running of cotton seed to the running of soy beans. The soy beans can be run at some less expense for labor and for fuel than can cotton seed.

It is probable that at least 28 to 30 gallons of oil are being secured from each ton of seed. As the soy beans after being ground are heated there is some loss of moisture. Again, too, there is a slight loss by the beans being sent through sieves and over magnets. Mr. Williams states that the mill at Elizabeth City is crushing about 20 tons of soy beans per day. A beautiful grade of oil and meal is being secured.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 20.—Henry F. Greene, for six years United States civil service commissioner, at Washington, D. C., under appointments of Presidents Roosevelt and Taft, died here today aged 56 years. He was a native of North Carolina. Interment will be at Washington.

Christmas Slippers, just received at Peterson & Rulfs. de 21-3t
(Advertisement.)

UPON ATTITUDE OF LABOR THE ALLIES' SUCCESS DEPENDS

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ly had not been engaged in munition work. These factories alone, he said, were now making three times as many shells as the whole United Kingdom was making last May.

Referring to American orders, Mr. Lloyd-George said:

"David A. Thomas comes back speaking in the highest possible terms of the service rendered this country by J. P. Morgan & Co., not merely in the selection of firms for contracts, as in fact they saved us many millions of pounds by their efforts to reduce the inflated prices prevailing before they took the matter in hand."

PRESIDENT AND MRS. WILSON TAKE LONG AUTOMOBILE RIDE.

Hotel Guests and Townspeople Gather Eager to Get Glimpse of Couple.

Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 20.—President Wilson and his bride took a long automobile drive over Virginia mountain roads late today, after spending most of their morning answering some of the messages of congratulation that have come to them from all parts of the world. A game of golf which had been planned was postponed until tomorrow.

Since the couple came to Hot Springs yesterday morning, hotel guests and townspeople have been politely eager to get a glimpse of them, and when it was whispered about that they would motor a crowd quickly gathered. A White House automobile with the National coat-of-arms served as a guide to the side entrance from which the start was to be made.

Mrs. Wilson appeared in one of the most beautiful costumes of her trosseau, a gown of black velvet, with a heavy fur-trimmed coat and a small toque.

After driving about five miles over a rough trail, the chauffeur turned back and with better luck took his passengers over 50 miles of smooth roads through magnificent mountain scenery and past some famous springs.

The President is attending to matters of important business that cannot await his return to Washington, but so far but few messages have come from the executive offices. He brought his stenographer along and also his own typewriter in case of need.

WATCH WIRES THIS MORNING!

Many Possibilities of Serious Danger on Account of Snow.

Mr. A. B. Skelding, of the Tidewater Power Company, called attention last night to the danger of fallen wires incident to the snow and sleet. He says all wires are dangerous because of their liability in falling to come in contact with live wires.

Mr. Skelding says their system is in the best shape it has been in for years, but this is the biggest freeze for years and there is great danger in trees, the weight of which can't be estimated and that will break down any wire, regardless of how well it is put up.

Any person discovering a fallen wire is asked to phone 667 or the police department.

DR. SPILMAN AT WAKE FOREST.

Speaks on the Christian College as a Factor in the Kingdom.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wake Forest, Dec. 20.—The missionary society of the Wake Forest Baptist church held its monthly meeting in the church last night. Rev. Dr. B. W. Spilman, field secretary to educational institutions, for the Sunday school board of the Southern Baptist Convention, was the speaker. Dr. Spilman took as his theme "The Christian College as a Factor in the Establishment of the Kingdom of God."

After discussing education in general, Dr. Spilman stated that the churches which furnish money for equipment and endowment and parents who send their sons and daughters to Christian institutions, have a right to expect in the institution an atmosphere which is positively Christian; they also have a right to expect the very best of culture, not only in the realm of liberal arts, but also in Christianity.

CAROLINA WINS DEBATE.

Defeats George Washington, Arguing Government Ownership.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 20.—Carolina won the first debate, defeating George Washington College here tonight. The query for debate was: "Resolved that the Federal Government should own and operate all telegraph lines, constitutionality conceded," Carolina upheld the negative and was represented by R. B. Houe and A. H. Wolfe. P. Bryan Morehouse and Chas. W. Jacobson argued on the affirmative for George Washington. The judges were Dr. T. P. Harrison of A. & M. College; Prof. W. K. Boyd, of Trinity, and President W. A. Harper, of Elon. That the negative won was the unanimous decision of the judges.

RELIEF FOR GERMANS

Parents and Grandchildren of Soldiers Now Included.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The money relief granted heretofore to the wives and children of soldiers has now been extended to parents and grandparents who are unable to support themselves, and also to all brothers and sisters under fifteen and to those above fifteen who are incapacitated from working. A condition precedent is that the soldier, whose relatives are thus assisted, shall have been their sole support before the war. The relief granted to wives and children has also been increased, and is now 15 marks monthly for wives and 7 1-2 marks for each child. Grandparents, parents and brothers and sisters affected also receive the latter sum monthly.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 20.—Lord and Lady Aberdeen who have been touring the Western states, left today for Hot Springs, Va., where they will spend the Christmas holidays. Later they will go to Washington.

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LOOK AT OUR FANCY XMAS BEEF and lamb. Full supply of good beef, veal, lamb and pork for Xmas. We are taking orders for turkeys and corned hams. Fancy celery and lettuce Oysters on every train. Hog jowl and peas; all in for New Year's. Batson's Meat Market; 'Phone No. 72. 115 Market street. de21-tf

PEOPLE IN THE "CAROLINA" HAVE no fear of cold weather. Its splendid heating system makes the cold days balmy. Only one housekeeping apartment vacant. See the agents, J. G. Wright & Son, 124 Princess street. de21-1t

XMAS WREATHS OF GALAX OR RED magnolia leaves with sprays of immortelles or holly, 50 cents. Holly wreaths for windows. 'Phone 779-W.; 416 South Second street. de21-1t*

JUST RECEIVED: WALNUTS, ALmonds, Brazil and Pecan Nuts. Also shelled nuts, citron, dates and bunch raisins and mince meat. Oranges, apples and bananas, at C. H. Bornemann's 'Phone 853. de21-1t*

FIREWORKS AND TOYS, DOLLS, baby carriages, rocking horses, velocipedes, wagons, drums, and lots of other novelties, at C. H. Bornemann's store; 7th and Orange streets. de21-1t*

WANTED—TO SELL GENERAL MERchandise and rent store to energetic man. Box 83, "Store," Atkinson, N. C. de21-5t

NEW WAY MARKET — SPECIAL, 10,000 dozen extra nice juicy oranges, 19 cents dozen. Pecans from old Brunswick County; 750 special fed turkeys. Fresh Spanish mackerel. Big Boston lettuce, the best ever. Jumbo celery. 'Phones 816 and 817. W. H. McEachern. de21-1t

WANTED—THE BEST OFFER ABOVE par for 45 shares of Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Co. stock. Address "Broker," care Star. de21-1t

LOST — GOLD BAR PIN OF ANTIQUE design. Lost at Opera House Saturday or on Princess, Market or Fifth streets Reward, if returned to 115 South Fifth street. de21-1t*

SPLENDID SLEEPING ROOM IN THE Grand Building for rent. All conveniences, including heat, light and janitor service. D. R. Foster & Co., Agents. de21-6t

BOYS' BRIGADE LYCEUM COURSE — Dorva De Leon Co., Wednesday, Dec. 22, 8:30 P. M. Reserved seats on sale at Munson & Co.'s Wednesday, 8 A. M. till 6 P. M. Single admission, including reserved seat, 50 cents. de21-2t

SMALL LAUNCH FOR SALE CHEAP; in good order. Apply to W T. Croom, 819 South Front street. de21-1t*

MARSHMALLOW, ANGEL FOOD, HOLly, Chocolate, Pineapple, Vanilla ice cream for Christmas; whipped cream, sweet cream, Pasteurized buttermilk and fresh ground cocoanut daily. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co.; 'Phone 405. de21-1t*

RUBBERS! RUBBERS! NEW STOCK, any size, delivered anywhere. Fresh eggs, 32 cents dozen. 'Phone 460. C. S. Britt, Seventh and Grace. de21-1t

CHRISTMAS EVERGREEN, MISTLEtoe, wild ducks; Myrtle Grove, Norfolk, New River Oysters; dressed turkeys, geese and chickens; country eggs, produce and groceries. 114 S. Front street; 'Phone 374. W. M. Sneeden. de21-1t*

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LOST —EXPRESS DELIVERY BOOK, in neighborhood of Third and Orange streets. Return to or 'phone Southern Express Company. de21-1t*

WANTED — FIRST-CLASS SAWYER for fast, small circular mill. None but fast and of experience need apply. Box 1063, Wilmington, N. C. de21-tf

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BE WISE AND HAVE YOUR OLD suits cleaned and pressed for Christmas and save money. Suits pressed only, 25 cents; men's suits cleaned and pressed $1.00; coat suits pressed 50 cents. Brinson's Pressing Club, Phone, 717, 114 1-2 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C. de19-su,tu,we-3t

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FEATHER BEDS WANTED — WANTed to buy, feather beds and pillows. We also make feather mattresses to order. Address "J. W. C.," care Star. de19-4t*

WE HAVE THE LARGEST STOCK OF Automobile Accessories in Eastern North Carolina. See us, and get our prices before purchasing. W. D. MacMillan, Jr. de20-3t

JUST RECEIVED FOR CHRISTMAS trade: Corned hams, 20 cents; chocolate cream drops, 15 cents; French mixed cream drops, 10 cents; cocoanut bon bons, 12½ cents. Schutt Bros. Phone 983. de 11-20t*

FOR RENT — 103 SOUTH EIGHTH street; seven rooms, all latest improvements. Gordon Brothers, 17 Princess street. de14-tf

FOUND—A MARKET FOR POPLAR Tupelo and sweet gum logs. We want to buy several car loads of poplar tupelo and sweet gum logs. Will inspect at shipping point and pay cash, f.o.b. cars. For full particulars and prices address J. L. Mateer Lumber Co., Rural Hall, N. C. de 11-12t

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LOST — SMALL GREEN BOAT, LAST week, at foot of Queen street. Letter "E" cut on stern. Reward will be paid for any information regarding the whereabouts of this boat. E. M. Boswell, 713 Surry St., de15-tf

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U. S. Bonds (at par)	810,000.00	Surplus and Net Profits	665,558.88
Bank Building	487,793.51	Circulation	750,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	288,400.00	Special Deposit Bonds	115,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern National Bank	106,128.65	Special Reserve	21,000.00
Cash and Due by Banks	2,011,503.12	Deposits	5,898,004.88
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